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STRIKING DENUNCIATION OF THE DICTATORS BY MR. ROOSEVELT: OBJECTIVE OF "TOTAL EFFORT" OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Unqualified And Immediate All-Out Aid To Britain, Greece And China

THE MOST STRIKING DENUNCIATION OF THE DICTATORS EVER UTTERED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WAS VOICED BY HIM IN A BROADCAST FROM THE WHITE HOUSE ON SATURDAY NIGHT, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

Mr. Roosevelt described the dictators as "THOSE MODERN TYRANTS AND THEIR SO-CALLED NEW WORLD ORDER."

"Let not the dictators of Europe doubt our unanimity," said President Roosevelt, according to Reuters.

He declared: "Nazi forces have openly sought the destruction of all elective systems of Government, but humanity has never permanently accepted a system imposed by conquest, based on slavery."

"HITLER'S PLANS HAVE BEEN SHOT TO PIECES BY THE UNBEATABLE DEFENDERS OF BRITAIN."

"The Lease and Lend Bill was the end of any attempts at appeasement in our land, the end of compromise with tyranny and forces of oppression."

Hitler Suffered Most Spectacular Defeat At Hands Of America

CAPETOWN, March 16 (Reuters)—GENERAL SMUTS, the SOUTH AFRICAN PREMIER, in a broadcast last night, made the following striking points: "It is just here (American aid) that Herr Hitler suffered his most spectacular defeat and this time at the hands of America and behind the open war with the British Commonwealth lies now an undeclared war, but a no less real and grim war, with the United States."

PARACHUTISTS IN TURKEY

VICHY, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—Turkey now has parachute troops. This was revealed in an announcement by the War Minister that parachute troops of the Turkish Army will engage in manoeuvres during the coming week, according to an Istanbul message to the Vichy news agency.

Further indication of the modern development of the Turkish Army is contained in the fact that new units of anti-parachutist troops will also take part in the exercises.

MR. MATSUOKA

HARBIN, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, accompanied by his staff, who left by special train at 8.30 p.m. last evening for Manchukuo en route for Berlin and Rome, arrived here at 5 p.m. last evening from Hsinking by air.

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SPEECH BY HITLER

NO REFERENCE TO
ROOSEVELT

The German people were warned yesterday that they must bear even greater sacrifices, and that women as well as men will be put to the test of their staying power. The warning was made by Herr Hitler, speaking in Berlin in connexion with the celebration of Heroes' Day.

The Nazi Fuehrer, in the course of his speech, made no reference to President Roosevelt's broadcast, the words of which, states a London message, must have been ringing in Hitler's ears when he spoke.

Hitler's speech, lasted only fifteen minutes. (Special)

FIRMLY DETERMINED

The German Radio, commenting after the broadcast by Herr Hitler and Mr. Roosevelt, merely stated that the German people are firmly determined to destroy England and that no help coming to Britain from America would prevent it, states a London message. (Special)

PETROL DUMP ABLAZE

ATHENS, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—A blaze visible for 50 miles was caused when a petrol dump was set on fire at the Berat aerodrome during a bombing attack by the R. A. F.

A number of aircraft, on the ground were destroyed and others damaged, says a communique from R. A. F. Headquarters in Greece.

DIRECT HITS

Four aircraft were also destroyed on the ground at the Valona aerodrome where direct hits were scored on the runway.

All British aircraft returned safely, says the communique which adds that it is now confirmed that in an air combat last Tuesday seven Italian aircraft were definitely destroyed against five previously announced, and that on Thursday, Italian losses were 15 instead of 14.

NEW YORK, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—A message from Budapest states that according to diplomatic quarters a British expeditionary force, estimated at 150,000 men, has landed in Greece.

YUGOSLAVIA WILL NOT SIGN THE TRIPARTITE PACT

BELGRADE, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—AFTER MONTHS OF THE NAZI WAR OF NERVES AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA, IT APPEARS CERTAIN THAT YUGOSLAVIA WILL NOT SIGN THE THREE-POWER PACT, but to maintain the strictest neutrality.

All rumours of an ultimatum or a Yugoslav capitulation thereto, can be excluded.

The maximum concession to Germany will be the signature of a non-aggression pact, including a clause definitely stating that Yugoslavia will resist all attacks from whatever side they come.

The Yugoslav Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister, have no reason to repeat the journey to see Herr Hitler they made in February, unless Germany is ready to accept the non-aggression pact, which Yugoslavia offered



The patriot army, in co-operation with the Imperial forces, have advanced in western Abyssinia, states a London message which adds that there is nothing to report from Libya and Eritrea. In Italian Somaliland, British forces have operated successfully in all directions while the R.A.F. bombed the road between Keren and Asmara.

The South African Air Force destroyed eight Italian aircraft in Dgedawa, states a London message.

Three enemy fighters were shot down while two bombers and three reconnaissance planes on the ground were hit and burned out. (Special)

Fierce Soccer Riot In Shanghai Considerable Damage To The Canidrome

SHANGHAI, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—Three persons in hospital and seven alleged ringleaders detained by Police for questioning, are part of the aftermath of yesterday's fierce football riot. Owing to the considerable damage to the Canidrome, it was unable to hold the usual dog-races yesterday evening. Meanwhile the Shanghai Football Association cancelled all matches scheduled for today between Chinese and foreign teams.

There was a crowd of 25,000 yesterday and was reported to be the largest mass of humanity ever gathered in one spot either in the Settlement or the Concession.

Most exciting scenes were witnessed when the crowd stormed the football field, up-rooted the goal-posts and cracked them to feed the small blaze started by the rioters.

During the height of the melee, some 30 Chinese were lying on the ground clutching their heads from which blood streamed.

Almost every single window-pane of the Canidrome was broken.

FUTURE IN BALANCE

The future of Sino-Foreign soccer here, one of the major sports in the Far East, is in the balance as the result of yesterday's riot during a match in the Canidrome in the French Concession, as the French Police threaten to ban soccer indefinitely.

The Chinese Ratepayers' Association is considering the matter.

The riot, which injured more than 30 Chinese and some foreigners, is regarded as a serious blow to soccer which is the favourite among Chinese of all the foreign sports introduced to the country.

The foreign teacher of the Chinese Municipal School, who was active in coaching Chinese the sport, declared the efforts made in 20 years to inculcate the spirit of sportsmanship among Chinese youth "has gone up in smoke" in one afternoon.

FIERCEST EVER

About 26,000 people, including some 400 foreigners, jammed the stadium during the riot, which is the fiercest ever seen in a local sports gathering. The riot was precipitated by the rejection from

LEAFLET ON INVASION

INSTRUCTIONS TO BRITONS

A leaflet, giving advice as to what to do when invasion comes, is to be distributed to every British household, states a London message.

Newspapers yesterday published advance copies of the leaflet.

Church bells will only be rung in any district where the enemy has actually landed, and only in these districts will people be told to stand firm and take cover.

In all other areas the watchword will be "Carry on; go to work, do your shopping and send your children to school until you are told not to."

Instructions will be given by A. R. P. wardens and police.

CAREFUL PLANS

Careful plans have been made for newspapers and wireless broadcasts to continue to function.

The citizen has his right to defend himself, his family and his home, but he must give all the help he can to the troops.

"Do not tell the enemy anything; do not give him food; do not help him in any way," concludes the leaflet. (Special)

LONDON CHIEF TARGET

London was the chief target of enemy raiders on Saturday night, states a London message. The raids were not on a large scale and were over shortly after midnight.

A bomb fell on a dance hall in London resulting in many people being killed and injured.

There was damage to houses and all fires were put out by the early hours of the morning. Casualties were not heavy.

Bombs were also dropped in the Home Counties, South and South-East England and the Midlands.

There were few casualties in these areas and only a small number of people were killed. (Special)

Junk Fokis Killed

Two junk foks were stabbed to death, while several others were injured when a cargo boat, carrying salt from Hongkong to Chinese territories, encountered four pirates outside Colonial waters on Saturday afternoon.

The deceased were Ah Lam, 45, and Tai Hai, 54. Another foki, Leung Mun, who was seriously injured jumped overboard.

According to a report made to the Police by Chan Shu-mun, master of the junk, they sailed for Chung Shan on Saturday afternoon with 60 bags of salt on board. They encountered the pirates and were robbed of the salt.

Today's News Summary

UTTERING ONE OF HIS MOST striking denunciations of the dictators, President Roosevelt broadcast from the White House on Saturday night when he emphasised the policy of the American people of all-out aid for Britain, Greece and China. From the United States will come food, ships, tanks, guns, ammunition and planes. In Berlin yesterday, Herr Hitler also made a speech but he did not refer to Mr. Roosevelt's broadcast.

THE FUTURE OF FOOTBALL in Shanghai is in the balance as the result of one of the fiercest riots yet staged at the Canidrome on Saturday afternoon when a Chinese player was ordered off the field in a match against the Police. Attempts were made to set the Canidrome on fire and practically every glass window-pane was smashed.

THE ITALIAN SPRING OFFENSIVE, begun in Albania six days ago, has failed completely, the Greeks repulsing attacks on all fronts. Reports are to the effect that General Cavallero, the Commander-in-Chief, has been relieved of his post in disgrace.

GERMANY WAS RAIDED BY THE R.A.F. on Saturday for the fourth day in succession and the main targets were Dusseldorf and Lorient. Enemy air activity over Britain was centred on London where a bomb hit a dance hall killing and injuring many persons.

BRITISH HOUSEHOLDERS ARE to receive leaflets shortly containing instructions as to what to do when invasion comes.



In the World of Sports



UNIVERSITY SPORTS:

Mazuza Wins Individual Championship: Gegg Equals 100-yd. Record

LUGARD HALL WON THE INTER-HOSTEL CHAMPIONSHIP when the annual University athletic meeting was concluded at Pok-tulam on Saturday. Lugard scored 113 points to Elliot's 46. Ricci had 41 points, Morrison 38, and St. John's one point.

The individual championship was won by E. Mazuza, of Lugard, with 28 points, secured through a win in the half-mile, seconds in the long jump, discus throw, javelin throw, and hop, step and jump, thirds in the 100 yards and 228 yards, and fourth places in the shot put and high jump.

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB

The March Meeting will be held on 23rd March as advertised. Race No. 6 (The Kangaroo Cup) is cancelled and in its place the following is substituted.

The Dublin Consolation Cup. A flat race of 1 mile for China Ponies "E" class that have started at this Meeting. Weight as allotted for The Dublin Handicap. Winner Barred, Ponies placed second and third 5lb. and 3lb. penalty respectively. Winner \$250.00, 2nd, 125.00, 3rd, 100.00. Post entry \$5.00.

By Order of the Committee,
THOMSON & CO.,
Secretaries.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING has again been postponed. It will now be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 22nd March, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Timings are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission, to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

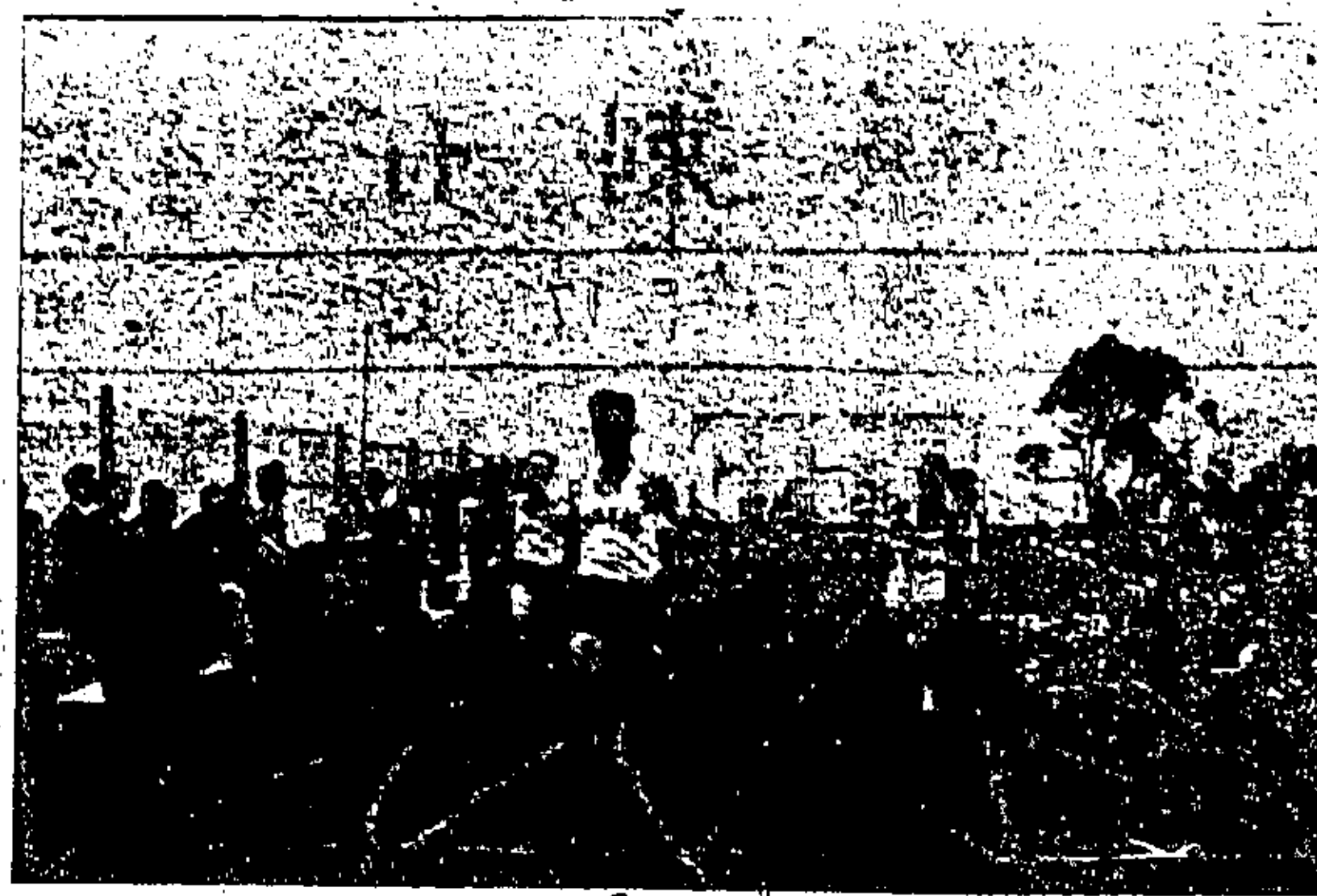
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C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1941.

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W. S. Gegg winning the 220 yards at the University sports on Saturday.—(Sun Ying Ming Studio).

JUNIOR LEAGUE CRICKET

Recreio Defeat I.R.C.

Club de Recreio beat Indian Recreation Club by 82 runs in the Junior Cricket League match played at King's Park on Saturday.

Scores were: Club de Recreio 140 for 2 wickets, dec. (A. E. Noronha 89 not out, P. M. N. da Silva 41 not out, Indian Recreation Club 58 (A. R. Sufliad 26, M. A. Remedios 4 for 14, E. M. L. Soares 4 for 12).

SCHOOL SPORTS

St. Stephen's College

The annual sports of St. Stephen's College, held at Stanley on Saturday, showed up a good set of standards and the St. Stephen's boys will have to be considered strong challengers in the inter-school sports.

Senior winners were Leong Ming-sen, 100, 200, 400 Metres and Long Jump; Tan Eng-gie, 800 Metres; Wolfgang Yue, 1,500 Metres; High Hurdles and High Jump; Chan Wing-chung, Pole Vault, and Ma Chang-ling, Shot Put.

Tigers won the Group Championship, Leong Ming-sen the senior individual championship, and Han Tam-yuan the junior individual championship.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

Fong Hin-yung won the senior championship and Kwong King-wah the junior championship, at the annual sports of Queen's College held at Causeway Bay on Saturday.

Senior winners were Fong Hin-yung, 100, 220 and 440 Yards; Mok Shiu-kwan, High Hurdles and Long Jump; Khan Mohammed, One Mile, and Shot Put; and Cheuk Ming-lee, High Jump.

MACAO BASKETBALL TEAMS COMING NEXT MONTH

That the Macao Basketball Association has agreed to send two teams to Hongkong early next month to play four matches in aid of charity, has been confirmed.

During their visit the Macao men's team will meet South China and Sing Tao, while the girls' team will encounter the Combined Hongkong Stars and a combined team from the schools for girls.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY

H.K. LADIES WIN

After being two goals down at the interval, Hongkong Ladies rallied at King's Park on Saturday to beat C.B.A. Ladies 4-2 in a friendly hockey match.

"Y" SENIORS WIN

Y.M.C.A. Seniors defeated Khalsa Hockey Club by six goals to three after leading at the end of the first period by four clear goals in a friendly hockey match played at King's Park on Saturday. Gemmell, Spence and Olsen scored for "Y" and G. Singh netted all three goals for the Indians.

A Naval XI beat Y.M.C.A. Juniors by 5 goals to 2 after leading 3-1 at the interval. Gemmell (3) and King (2) scored for Navy and Olsen (2) for "Y".

Rooty-Hill Derby Sweep Rumours

The lucky owners of the winning ticket of the Rooty Hill Derby, which amounts to \$397,000, are said to be four women, who bought only four tickets.

The leader was described as a Mrs. Tong, who holds a 2/5th share, a girl holding 1/10th share and the other two a 1/4 shares each.

It was learned that the services of a well-known local Chinese lawyer were retained by them to collect the prize money and to divide it among them.

FIRST EXTRA POSTPONED

To the great disappointment of racing enthusiasts the First Extra Racing Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club, scheduled for Saturday, was again postponed to Mar. 22.

An announcement of the postponement was made early in the morning.

It will be recalled that this Meeting was postponed to last Saturday from Mar. 1, due to changes in the dates of the Annual Meeting.

The following is the tentative programme for the first half of the year:

First Extra Meeting Saturday Mar. 22.

Second Extra Meeting, Saturday Mar. 29 (as originally arranged though entries for this meeting will now close on Monday, Mar. 24, instead of Mar. 20, as previously announced).

Third Extra Meeting, Saturday April 26.

Fourth Extra Meeting, Saturday April 26.

Fifth Extra Meeting, Saturday May 10.

Sixth Extra Meeting, Saturday May 31 and Monday June 2.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BADMINTON.—(At King's College). Men's Junior Doubles.—P. C. Leung and K. F. Chin v. E. A. R. Alves and P. P. Botelho.

7 p.m.; C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier v. J. Hui and T. B. Teoh, 7.45 p.m.; P. A. Yvanovich and B. T. Gogano v. A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth, 8.30 p.m.

Mixed Doubles.—E. and Mrs. Zimmer v. Patrick Wong and Miss O. Ribeiro, 9.15 p.m.

SNOOKER.—Garrison League.—R.A. Station Mess v. R.A.P.C. Engineers "A" v. R.A.M.C. Eng. Sgts. Mess v. Signals' Mess.

Signals "A" v. Military Police.

TENNIS.—Colony Championships, Open Singles.—S. T. Chau v. Wei Chung, R. E. Guest v. Pang Ol-lam, C. Dunne v. Lieut. Shields Goodman, Fung Yee-pui v. Kenneth Lo, Tsui Wal-pui v. O. Rumjahn, Open Doubles.—J. S. Theobald and P. J. Skipwith v. I.M.A. Razack and A.R. Minu, Club Handicap Doubles.—L.M.S. Lloyd and A.D. Humphreys (3/6) v. C.O. Shackleton and G.F. Harrison (scr).

ROYAL SCOTS.—Bankier, Nay-smith, Fraser, Parnaby, Clarke.

With a forward line composing of mostly junior players KOWLOON, though they managed to hold ROYAL SCOTS to a goalless first half, collapsed in the second half and lost by three clear goals.

Neither attacks could give any semblance of combination, but in defence the Scots were very much steadier and NAYSMITH and FRASER were able to deal with a weak Kowloon attack while HOSACK was the only forward to impress.

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Navy's Last Minute Win Over Saints

The programme on Saturday saw two teams, EASTERN and ST. JOSEPH'S, completing their fixtures; the former by their win over Club virtually made sure of the runners-up position in the League. In the other encounter Royal Scots defeated Kowloon by three clear goals.

At Causeway Bay St. JOSEPH'S and NAVY were seen in a ding-dong struggle, and although the Saints led on two occasions, a last-minute goal by HENDY gave Navy the victory by the odd goal in five.

There was little to choose between the teams. In attack both sides showed good combination but the Navy's wingers were more impressive than their opposite number. SANTOS and GOMES were prominent for the Saints.

Both sides possessed solid defences but ROUGHLEY and O'REGAN were a shade steadier than HUSSAIN and BOWEN as a pair. LEONARD worked hard at centre but found Hendy, once he settled down, an elusive man to mark.

SAINTS LEAD

Playing good soccer Saints ran into a lead of 2-1 before the interval through goals netted by SANTOS and FLANDERS, with HENDY replying. After the interval play continued to be evenly distributed and HAWKINS put in the equaliser, and just before the whistle HENDY headed in a pass from Barker to give his side victory.

NAVY.—Giff, Roughley, O'Regan, Biff, Hazard, Layhe, Anderson, Le Page, Hendy, Baker and Hawkins.

ST. JOSEPH'S.—Yeung Ka-sing, Hussain, Bowen, Castro, Leonard, Lau Wing-kwong, Roach, Santos, McDonald, Gomes and Flanders.

NARROW VICTORY

A fighting finish by CLUB featured a thrilling game between that Club and Eastern at the Valley, the latter winning by three goals to two, after leading by three clear goals at the interval.

In the first half Eastern were definitely the superior side and with a forward line that worked together smoothly they all but carried everything before them. It was no surprise when HAU CHING-TO, ever an opportunist, slipped through to score and a few minutes later added another goal. Club also came in for their share, once FOWLER had had luck in striking the cross bar. Before the breather TAO CHOW-TING brought Eastern's lead to three-goals.

As the result of an injury to S. Y. YEN, Eastern only played with ten men and with a reshuffled line-up lost the initiative. Club were more in the picture and, in an effort to draw level, literally stormed the winners' goal. REIERSEN and FOWLER scored after nice attacking movements but thereafter, tried as they might, the Chinese managed to hold out.

CLUB.—J. Odell, Eardley, Strange, A. Odell, Skinner, Millington, Bond, Aitkenhead, Fowler, Forrow and Reierlsen.

EASTERN.—Hsu Heng, Kong Sing-king, Y. S. Yen, Ng Kee-cheong, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen, Chung Yung-sum, Chang Kam-hoi, V. K. Hui, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

POOR SOCCER

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TENNIS TOURNAMENT TO COMMENCE TODAY

BY "SERVER"

Provided the weather keeps fine, today will see the Hongkong Open Tennis tournaments making a belated start on the courts of the Hongkong Cricket Club, this afternoon with a full programme of five singles and one doubles.

There was some talk earlier on that many of the leading Chinese exponents would not enter the tournament but, the Hongkong C.C., under whose auspices it is being held, extended the closing date a further week during which entries were received, among others, from Tsui Wal-pui, Tsui Yan-pui, Pau Kang and Ho Kailau.

From the imposing list of entries another successful season is ensured, though nothing in the way of "new blood" is revealed from a perusal of the names. It is interesting to note the entry of George Choa, who did not participate last year. Choa is one of the most promising of the younger players and possesses a fluency of style that would do credit to a more experienced player. His progress will be watched with interest.

Every indication seems to point to another struggle between the Rumjahn cousins and the Tsui brothers for both the Singles and Doubles titles.

GOOD MATCHES

Some good matches are down for decision today and Tsui Wal-pui, past winner and last year's runner-up, will be seen in action against Omar Rumjahn, who

though past his prime, is still an equal match for many of the leading players. Omar's favourite stroke is the chop of which he is a master and with a heavy ground should give Tsui a good game.

The form of Capt. R. E. Guest, the new Area Sports Board Secretary, will be watched with interest when he meets Pang Ol-lam, an understudy of Tsui Wal-pui, and a very stylish player. Guest is reputed to have some experience of first class tennis tournaments at Home and on the Continent.

Today's full programme as follows:—

OPEN SINGLES

R. E. Guest v. Pang Ol-lam (3). C. Dunne v. Lt. Shields Goodman (6).

Fung Yee-pui v. Kenneth Lo (7). Tsui Wal-pui v. O. Rumjahn (8). S. T. Chau v. Wei Chung (1).

OPEN DOUBLES

J. S. Theobald and P. J. Skipwith v. L. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu (5).

CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES

A. K. Mackenzie and A. C. I. Bowler (—3/6) v. E. R. Child and S. L. Maughan (—2/6) (2).

L. M. S. Lloyd and A. D. Humphreys (—3/6) v. C. O. Shackleton and G. F. Harrison (scr.) (4).

Marshall, Hossack, James, Auld, Munro and Larkin.

KOWLOON.—Lapsley, Lamb, Ulrich, Maxwell, Remedios, Gordon-James, Tomashevsky, Jorge, Pereira, Mendonca and Mathias.

JUNIOR RESULTS

Results of junior league matches as follows:

SECOND DIVISION

R.E. 2, 30th R.A. 0. Royal Navy 0, Sing Tao 2. Kwong Wah 6, Club 0.

R.A.O.C. 2, Police 2. Kit Chee 4, Middlesex 0. South China 0, Royal Scots 6.

THIRD DIVISION

International 1, 12th R.A. 3. R.A.M.C. 0, 36th R.A. 3. 7th R.A. 2, R.E. 4.

A.S.A. 2, Shell 2. R.A.F. 6, 20th R.A. 1. 35th R.A. 1, 24th R.A. 3.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION

Goals

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Eastern 20 15 3 2 70 32 33

S. China 19 15 2 2 59 22 32

Sing. Tao 19 13 3 3 48 22 28

Middlesex 19 11 2 6 43 37 24

R. Navy 19 5 5 9 45 49 15

Kowloon 18 5 4 9 29 35 14

R. Scots 18 6 2 10 38 44 14

Police 17 6 1 10 27 43 13

K. Wah 19 4 1 11 40 61 12

Club 18 4 1 11 31 52 9

St. Joseph's 20 3 3 14 22 52 9

SECOND DIVISION

Goals

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

R.E. 22 18 3 1 88 24 39

R.A.S.C. 22 18 2 3 105 32 38

Sing Tao 19 13 3 3 58 22 29

Middlesex 22 12 3 7 64 45 27

S. China 23 11 5 7 81 37 27

Kit Chee 23 11 3 9 47 45 25

R. Scots 23 11 2 10 55 35 24

30th R.A. 22 9 4 9 53 54 22

R. Navy 23 9 2 12 49 64 20

K. Wah 23 8 4 11 45 64 20

R.A.O.C. 24 7 5 12 39 57 19

Police 22 8 2 15 34 79 12

Club 23 2 2 19 22 106 6

Kowloon 20 0 4 16 18 86 4

THIRD DIVISION

Goals

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

R.A.F. 20 14 4 2 61 23 32

Signals 20 14 4 2 51 20 32

24th R.A. 21 10 5 6 52 26 25

36th R.A. 21 10 5 6 52 26 25

12th R.A. 18 9 5 4 44 28 23

35th R.A. 20 9 4 7 45 42 22

R.E. 20 10 1 9 55 34 21

7th R.A. 20 8 4 8 36 36 20

R.A.M.C. 21 9 2 10 38 60 20

Internat'l 20 7 3 10 44 44 17

20th R.A. 19 6 2 11 28 54 14

Shell 19 1 4 14 18 85 6

A.S.A. 21 0 2 19 8 85 2

ALLIED ARMIES DEFEATED IN FRIENDLY SOCCER

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—In a friendly football match played at Stamford Bridge on Saturday, the British Army beat the combined Allied Armies by 6 goals to 2.

The match was watched by a large crowd who encouraged the Allies in every way but the latter were no match for the clever British forwards and half-backs.

Wells (2) and Denis Compton gave the British a 3-nil lead before the interval after which they quickly took an 8-nil lead through Hagan, Welsh, Cullis, Edlinton and Compton.

Then an amazing rally was staged by the Allies who netted twice within half a minute, Hajda, of Czechoslovakia, getting both.

It is estimated that over 10,000 watched the match.

Home Rugby

LONDON, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—The following were the results of Rugby matches played at Home:—

YORKSHIRE CUP (1ST ROUND). Bradford Northern beat Bramley 28-10; Dewsbury beat Hunslet 17-5; Featherstone beat Kelghley 14-0; Halifax lost to Castleford 6-13; Huddersfield beat Batley 35-3; Hull lost to York 15-22; Wakefield beat Oldham 17-5; Wigan, lost to Leeds 3-0.


UNION MATCHES. Guy's Hospl. beat St. Thomas's Hospl. 23-14; London District lost to Welsh Army XV 11-18; Roslyn Park beat Army XV 24-6; Bath beat R.A.F. XV 9-3; Gloucester beat Oxford U. 15-13; Northampton lost to Metropolitan Police 3-15; Aldershot "Command" beat Army XV 17-6; London Hospl. beat Anticraft XV 17-3.

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COMING EVENTS

MAR.

17—Tides: High 11.57 a.m. Low 5.31 a.m. and 6.18 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.31 a.m.; Sunset 6.33 p.m.

Electric Current Charges to be increased.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Laying of wreath at Cenotaph by St. Patrick's Society, 12 noon.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth, 6.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club Committee, 5.30 p.m.

European Y.M.C.A. Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Working Party, 9 a.m. to noon.

18—Tides: High 12.57 a.m. and 12.41 p.m. Low 6.08 a.m. and 7.22 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.30 a.m.; Sunset 6.33 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, D. O. Talpo, 11.30 a.m.

H.K. Schools Musical assn. concert, D.B.S.

Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

19—Tides: High 2.07 a.m. and 1.32 p.m. Low 6.42 a.m. and 8.38 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.29 a.m.; Sunset 6.34 p.m.

Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"God" (The Acting Vicar), 8.45 p.m.

H.K. Realty and Trust Co., Ltd. annual mtg., Exchange Bldg. (2nd floor), 11.30 a.m.

Vibro Piling Co. Ltd. annual meeting, York Bldg., 12.30 p.m.

H.K. Rifle Assn. Shoot, Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

20—Tides: High 3.32 a.m. and 2.37 p.m. Low 7.18 a.m. and 10.18 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset 6.34 p.m.

H.K. Electric Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11 a.m.

H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, 10 Des Voeux Rd. Central, 12 noon.

21—Tides: High 5.15 a.m. and 3.57 p.m. Low 8.07 a.m. and 11.44 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset 6.35 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get Together", 8.45 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club Annual Marathon Race, 5 p.m.

22—Tides: High 6.57 a.m. and 5.22 p.m. Low 10.01 a.m.

Sunrise: 6.26 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

Claims against estate of John Robinson due.

23—Tides: High 7.52 a.m. and 6.34 p.m. Low 12.44 a.m. and 11.43 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

National Day of Prayer.

Fanling Hunt and Race Club meet, Kwantai, 2.45 p.m.

24—Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 7.34 p.m. Low 1.27 a.m. and 12.54 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.24 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

25—Tides: High 8.56 a.m. and 8.21 p.m. Low 2.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.23 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

26—Tides: High 9.56 a.m. and 9.21 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 2.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.22 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

27—Tides: High 10.56 a.m. and 10.21 p.m. Low 4.04 a.m. and 3.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.21 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

28—Tides: High 11.56 a.m. and 11.21 p.m. Low 5.04 a.m. and 4.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

29—Tides: High 12.56 a.m. and 12.21 p.m. Low 6.04 a.m. and 5.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.19 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

30—Tides: High 1.56 a.m. and 1.21 p.m. Low 7.04 a.m. and 6.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.18 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

31—Tides: High 2.56 a.m. and 2.21 p.m. Low 8.04 a.m. and 7.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.17 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

1—Tides: High 3.56 a.m. and 3.21 p.m. Low 9.04 a.m. and 8.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.16 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

2—Tides: High 4.56 a.m. and 4.21 p.m. Low 10.04 a.m. and 9.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.15 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

3—Tides: High 5.56 a.m. and 5.21 p.m. Low 11.04 a.m. and 10.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.14 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

4—Tides: High 6.56 a.m. and 6.21 p.m. Low 12.04 a.m. and 11.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

5—Tides: High 7.56 a.m. and 7.21 p.m. Low 1.04 a.m. and 12.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

6—Tides: High 8.56 a.m. and 8.21 p.m. Low 2.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

7—Tides: High 9.56 a.m. and 9.21 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 2.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

8—Tides: High 10.56 a.m. and 10.21 p.m. Low 4.04 a.m. and 3.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.09 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

9—Tides: High 11.56 a.m. and 11.21 p.m. Low 5.04 a.m. and 4.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

10—Tides: High 12.56 a.m. and 12.21 p.m. Low 6.04 a.m. and 5.47 p.m.

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Irish Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) and The Band Of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

Wee Macgregor Patrol (Amers); Policeman's Holiday—Onestep (Ewing); Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. He Heard The Great Sea Calling (Andrews); Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Piano. Pass Des Cymbales (Chaminade)—Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. Devon O Devon (Songs of the Sea)—Stanford—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. Hiawatha—March (Morris)—Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. The Drums are on Parade (Neville)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. The Bells of St. Mark (Rimmer). Parade of the Puppets (Kuhn)—Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 An Irish Programme.

The Dawning of the Day (Joyce); Old Irish Air, arr. Page—John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano acc. Kinneag Slashes; Ticknock Jig; The Unknown—Irish Jigs—Sean Nolan's Dublin Orchestra. Terence's Farewell to Kathleen (Lady Duffin)—John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano acc. Irish Reels—The Pledge; Maids; Tulla; Mooncote—Sean Nolan's Dublin Orchestra. The Wife of the Bold Tenant Farmer—John Griffin (Baritone) with Flute and Piano. Irish Medley—Irish Washerwoman; Peggy O'Neill; Rose of Trales Killarney; St. Patrick's Day—Reginald Dixon (Organ). When Irish Eyes are Smiling (Ball)—Danny Malone (Tenor) w. Orchestra. Mayo Hornpipe—Frank Murphy (Accordeon) w. Piano. Macusha (Rowe-Macmurrough)—Sweeney MacEwan (Tenor) w. Piano. Bel in the Sink—Irish Reel—Frank Murphy (Accordeon) w. Piano.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

Quicksteps—If You Were the Only Girl in the World; I Never Knew; Joe Daniels and His Hot Shots in Drumsticks; Fox-Trot—I've Got No Strings; Turn On The Old Music Box (both from "Pinocchio")—Bob Chester and His Orchestra. Tango: Siempre Unidos; El Que A Hierro Mata—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trot—Three Cheers for Anything (from "Pinocchio")—Victor Young and His Orchestra with The Ken Darby Singers. Quickstep—On the Isle of May; Waltz—When Our Dreams Grow Old—Joe Loss and His Band.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Weinberger—Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree (Variations and Fugue on an old English tune for full Orchestra).

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.

6.50 Quilter—Three English Dances.

New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by J. Ainslie Murray.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Irish Programme.

The Green Hills of Ireland (Shields del Riego)—Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Piano acc. The South Down Militia (arr. Hayward)—Richard Hayward; (Traditional Ballad Singer) w. Violin, Flute and Cello and Piano. The Irish Organist—Medley (arr. T. Casey)—Terence Casey (Organ). "Phil The Fluter's Ball (French); With My Shillelagh Under My Arm (O'Brien and Raymond Wallace)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orch. Ned O' The Hill; Limerick Is Beautiful—Seamus O'Doherty (Tenor) w. Orch.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Rale Da Costa at the Piano.

Medley of Marches. Intro: Tin Can Fuzillies; Toy Town Parade; Toy Drum Major; Toy Town Artillery; Colonel Bogey; The King's Horses (Gay and Graham). Till Spring Along With You (film Twenty Million Sweethearts).

8.15 London Relay—Hi, Gang!

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

9.30 Irish Programme.

The Dear Little Shamrock (Jackson)—Danny Malone (Tenor) with Organ. Orange and Green (O'Donovan)—Jimmy O'Dea (Vocal) with Orchestra. The Star of the County Down (arr. Hughes)—John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano acc. The Irish Navy (O'Donovan)—Jimmy O'Dea (Vocal) w. Orch. Where The River Shannon Flows (Russell)—John McCormack (Tenor) with Orchestra. Mick McGiligan's Daughter (arr. Vine)—Sam Carson with Orch. The Kerry Dance (Molloy)—John McCormack (Tenor) with Orch. Green Isle of Erin (Bingham and Rockell)—Michael O'Higgins (Baritone) with Orchestra. Mother Macree (Olocht and Ball)—Danny Malone (Tenor) with Organ.

10.00 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

Fox-Trot—Oh Johnny, Oh Johnny, Oh; How Many Times? Orrin Tucker and His Orchestra. Vocal—A Little Dash of Dublin (from "Fog of Old Drury")—Anna Neagle (Soprano) w. Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Safe In My Heart—Low Stone and His Band. Tango—Malinconia—Bernardo Alenany and His Argentine Orchestra. Rumba—Green Eyes—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch. Vocal—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used to Be—Sam Browne (Baritone) with Orch. Rumba—Maria, My Own—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra. Vocal—I'm Still a High On A Hill Top (film Thanks a Million)—Sam Browne with The Rhythm Sisters. Quickstep—Give A Little Whistle; Fox-Trot—Little Wooden Head (both from "Pinocchio")—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

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Full Bulletin	7.00 p.m.
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do	12.00 mid.
do	night
Trans. II & III—News Summary	7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin	8.30 a.m.

Major C. Champkin will address the Hongkong Rotary Club tomorrow at its weekly meeting on "The Back of Beyond." The speaker at the following meeting on Mar. 25, will be Mr. W. Brown. The subject of his talk will be "Samoa and R.L.S." The address will be illustrated with slides.

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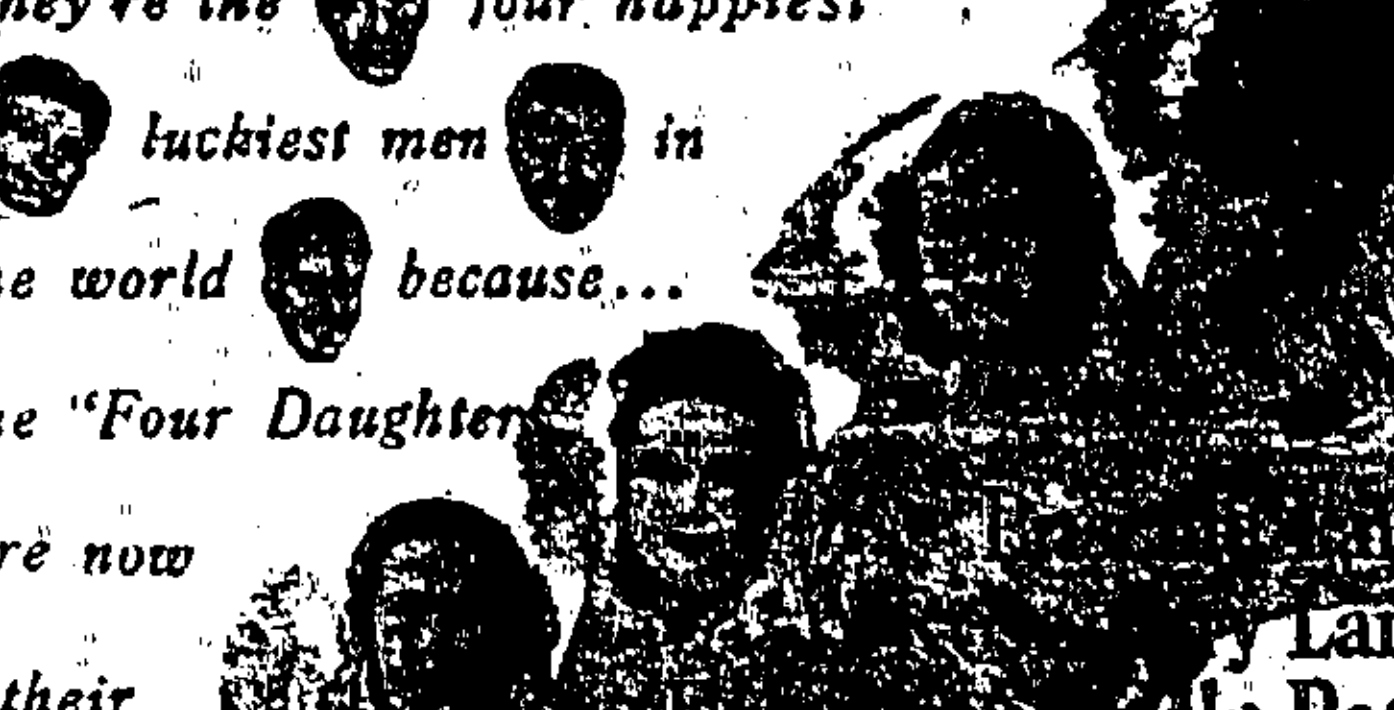
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Luftwaffe Discomfited By "Beau" Fighters

34 Raiders Downed In The "Battle Of The Full Moon"

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—The R.A.F.'s new Beau fighter, which sprang into fame at the beginning of the "Battle of the Full Moon," scored a further brilliant success when the Luftwaffe was again discomfited on Friday night.

Four raiders were destroyed, of which Beau fighters accounted for three and anti-aircraft fire one. At least two of the destroyed raiders crashed into the sea.

The total losses of the Luftwaffe during the last four moonlight nights is thus brought up to 34.

As reports of Friday night's activities are received, many examples of individual dash and heroism on the part of R.A.F. pilots are revealed.

One pilot who shot down a raider two nights ago repeated the performance.

He caught a Junkers 88 bomber, which dived 5,000 feet in an attempt to escape. The raider, however, crashed on the ground.

IGNOMINIOUS RETREAT

Another Heinkel, intercepted off the East Coast, was crippled to such an extent that instead of continuing its ignominious retreat towards Germany it turned in an attempt to regain the British shore.

Thirty miles from the land one of its crew baled out, while with height rapidly diminishing, the Luftwaffe craft made its way back towards Britain.

It crashed in the sea just off the land.

Two British pilots flew over an enemy aerodrome in France during the night.

Bombers were on the ground, but the R.A.F. pilots braved a heavy anti-aircraft barrage, came down low and destroyed two searchlights, damaged anti-aircraft guns and set at least one enemy bomber on fire.

FRIDAY'S RAIDS

Enemy air activity over Britain on Friday night was on a con-

siderable scale, spread over most parts of the country.

The Clyde area was again attacked but the raid was not as heavy as that of Thursday night. Business premises and houses were damaged and some were killed when a block of flats was hit. Otherwise casualties were not heavy.

A north-west England town was bombed and shops and industrial premises damaged. Fires which broke out were brought under control.

Most of the damage was done to houses and casualties were not many.

Enemy planes during yesterday morning were reported in the vicinity of an East Anglian town and a South Wales town.

NUISANCE RAIDS

Pursued by R.A.F. fighters and harassed by A.A. defences, raiding planes over Britain during Friday night appear to have been more of a nuisance than destructive.

Although raiders were reported over many districts, often for a number of hours, actual bombing was restricted.

A number of incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on London but the heaviest attack was reserved for a south-west coast town, where raiders, flying in pairs, encountered the heaviest barrage yet put up in that district.

Activity was also reported from the south-east coast, the West of England, a north-west town and south-west Scotland.

R.A.F. "BLITZ" ON GERMANY

Rotterdam Oil Tanks Also Bombed

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—Military and industrial objectives at Gelsenkirchen and Dusseldorf provided the R.A.F. Bomber Command with their main targets on Friday night.

It was the third successive night that industrial targets in north-west Germany were attacked.

A very effective raid, though on a small scale, was made on oil tanks at Rotterdam.

Full details of these attacks are not yet available but the German radio has admitted that many fires broke out in the towns attacked.

One British bomber is missing from the large force employed.

SHIPPING ATTACKED

Coastal Command aircraft also raided enemy shipping, aerodromes and docks at various points along the coast of enemy-occupied territory from Norway to Brest.

Offensive patrols were carried out over enemy aerodromes by Fighter Command aircraft. One enemy aircraft was set afire and others damaged, while ground defences, searchlights and buildings were swept with machine-gun fire.

From all these operations one bomber and one Coastal Command aircraft are missing.

MR. ALEXANDER WARNS OF COMING ATTACK

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—The view that this year must see the launching of a most ruthless attack on Great Britain by a very powerful enemy, was expressed by Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking at Torquay yesterday.

Mr. Alexander added: "Those attacks will be on land, in the air and upon the sea, and we must steel ourselves to the realisation that these attacks must bring damage, loss and tribulation, but I suggest that this crucial period can be faced with courage and fortitude because of the remaining factors."

Mr. Alexander proceeded to recount British efforts since the collapse of France, and asked who amongst those who were technically qualified to consider the military and strategic situations would have dared prophesy last June that we should be in such a position as we are to-day to meet this intensified attack.

Alluding to the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill and to the large quantities of munitions, planes and guns already received from across the Atlantic, Mr. Alexander said:

"When one contemplates the magnitude of this contribution, in addition to the powerful aid which is rapidly expanding from the Dominions, I feel certain that our people will be encouraged to face the terrors of the next few months in the certain hope that victory and freedom must be ours."

"Never was there a cause either so great or so urgent or fraught with such consequences."

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR ACE

AWARDED BAR TO FLYING CROSS

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—The destruction of 23 enemy planes—highest total officially credited to an individual pilot—has been rewarded by the addition of a Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross.

This award was announced in the latest list of decorations in London yesterday and is made to a South African, Flight-Lt. Marmaduke Pattle, who is described in the official citation as a "courageous and skilful pilot."

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—An official of the Turkish Foreign Office has arrived in Sofia, according to a Sofia despatch to the official German news agency yesterday.

The agency asserts that the official is reported to be carrying a written message from the Turkish President to Hitler (presumably in reply to the latter's recent message to Turkey).

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—The death has been announced in Paris of Sir Dadabhai Dalal, who was the first India High Commissioner in London.

BRITISH NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF GENOA

Warehouses Razed To The Ground

NEW YORK, March 16 (Reuter).—The enormous damage suffered in Genoa as a result of the British naval bombardment last month, is revealed in a vivid despatch from an American correspondent to the New York Daily News.

His report, which managed to get through the strict censorship, says that warehouses in the port burnt like matchwood when they were set on fire by the British guns.

An important oil refinery was destroyed and five out of seven oil tanks in the port were destroyed.

A long stretch of houses along the waterfront was levelled while the coal port was smashed up.

Four ships were sunk and 16 were damaged and listing badly.

COMMANDER ARRESTED

The inhabitants of Genoa, who were kept in ignorance of the damage for two days, stormed the barricades roping off the damaged parts of the city.

Hundreds were clubbed by the Fascist police trying to prevent them from seeing the results of the British action.

The naval commander of the port was arrested for allowing himself to be surprised by the British attack.

Brilliant R.A.F. Victory In Greece

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—Eight Italian planes were shot down by a small formation of R.A.F. fighters on Friday, states a communique from the British Headquarters in Greece.

This formation encountered a large number of Italian bombers escorted by fighters.

Other Italian planes were so severely damaged that they are unlikely to be able to return to their bases.

Two R.A.F. planes are missing but the pilots are safe, baling out by parachute.

COAL SHORTAGE IN SHANGHAI

APPEAL TO BRITISH SHIPPING MINISTRY

SHANGHAI, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—The China Press learns that the Shanghai Power Company has appealed to the British Ministry of Shipping in London to solve the Shanghai fuel crisis by releasing a number of British ships that have been requisitioned for war uses.

A high official of the Company is reported to have stated that eight ships could end the power curtailment in Shanghai by resuming shipments of coal from India.

The same official, according to the China Press, declared that the solution of the crisis now rests in the hands of the British Government which, since 1937, has shown no inclination to aid in the import of coal from North China.

JAP. STABBED IN SHANGHAI

INCIDENT BEING INVESTIGATED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—Shanghai Volunteer Corps officers and the Japanese naval authorities are investigating the alleged stabbing of a Japanese civilian, F. Noguchi, employed by the Chinese Maritime Customs.

Noguchi is alleged to have been stabbed by a member of the American Company, S.V.C., on sentry duty on Friday night on Garden Bridge, leading to the Japanese-occupied part of the Settlement.

The American volunteer, however, was not detained yesterday.

Noguchi, who is understood to be slightly wounded, is said to have refused to obey the sentry. A slight altercation followed, in the course of which the Japanese was slightly cut.

It is learned that the incident is regarded as a minor affair.

U.S. WARSHIPS FOR BRITAIN

"Definite Statement" By F.D.R. Expected

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt, in a world broadcast last night, was expected to state that he has no intention of weakening the United States fleet by aiding Great Britain.

The belief was expressed that President Roosevelt would make a "definite statement" on the subject of releasing warships and would give an assurance that any ships transferred will be replaced by newer types.

A call for further speeding up of production of ships was also predicted.

OFFICIAL SECRET

When Colonel Stimson, U.S. Secretary of War, told journalists yesterday that some war materials were already on their way to Britain under the Lease-Lend Act, he declined to give any details stating that it would be unfair to the British Government.

RAILWAY TRAGEDY IN BULGARIA

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter).—Ten were killed and 30 injured when a train near Oporitise station, in Bulgaria, fell into a ravine when crossing a bridge, according to a Sofia despatch to the Vichy news agency yesterday.

Cause of the disaster is unknown.



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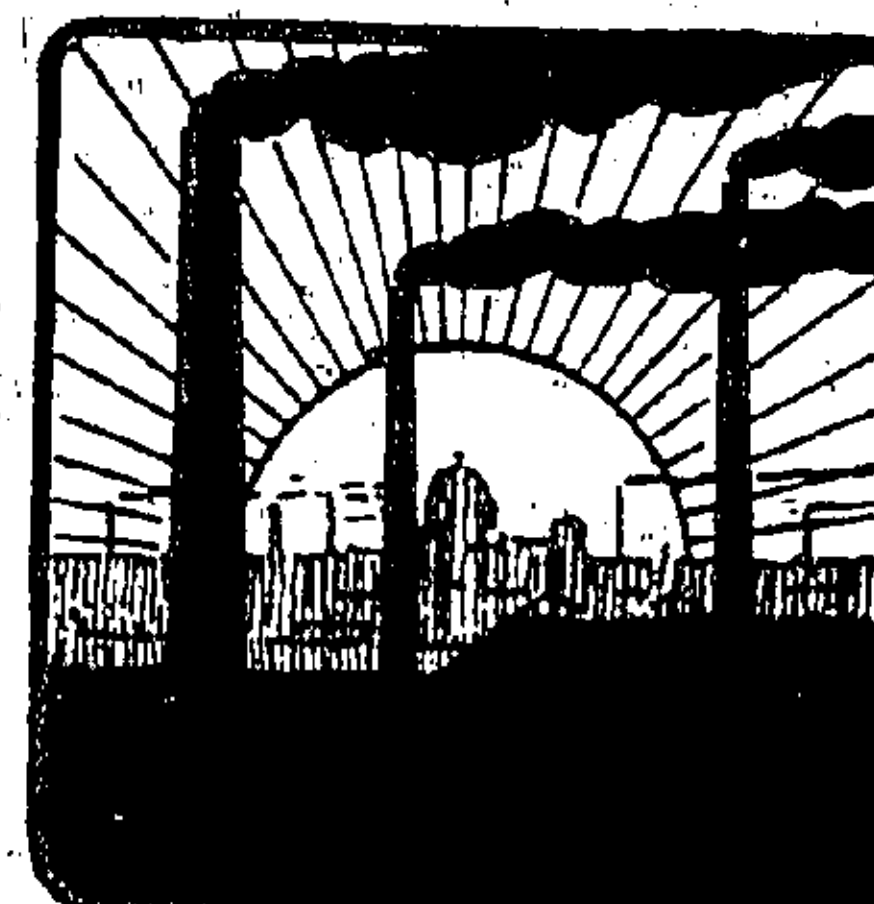
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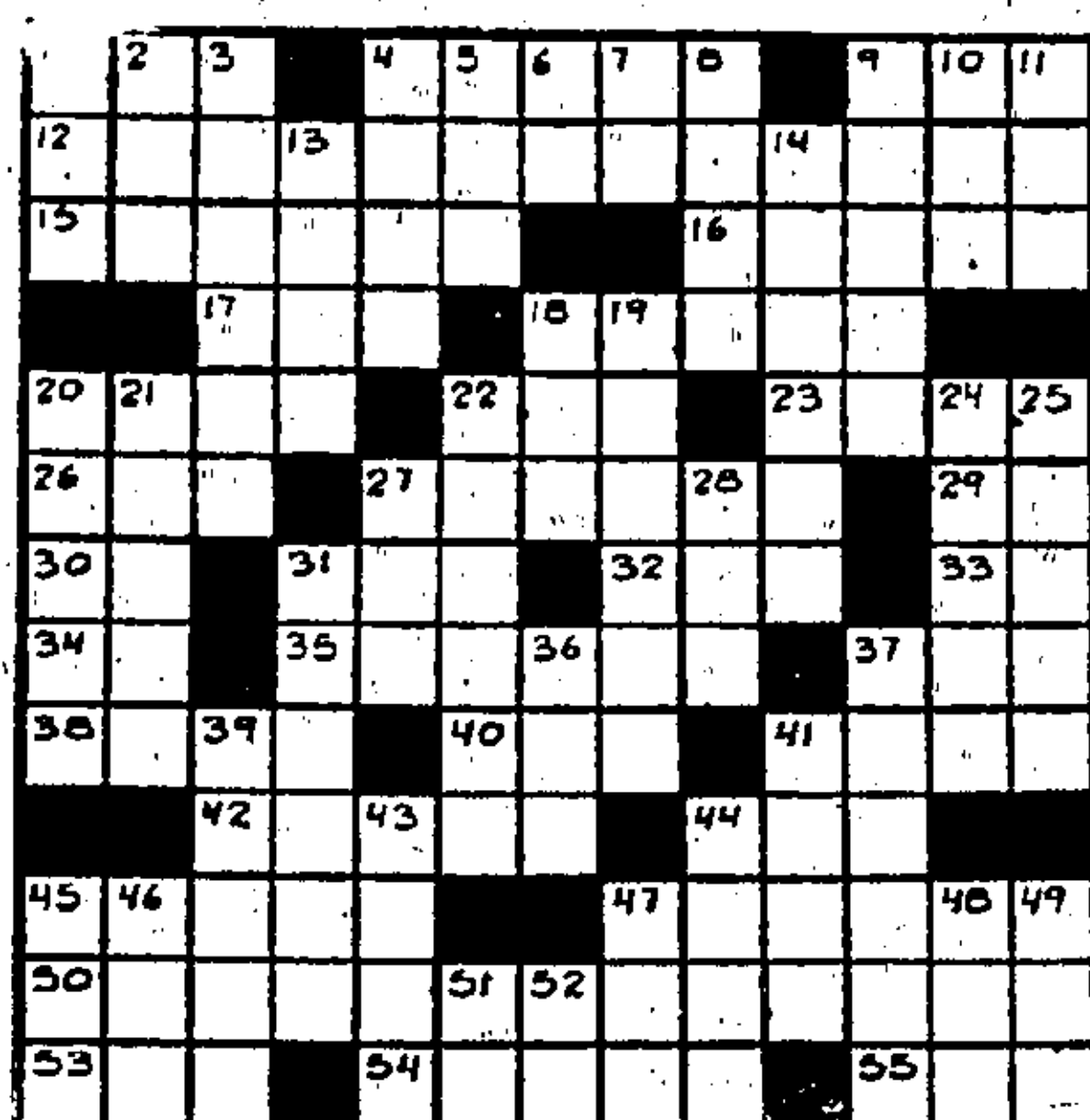
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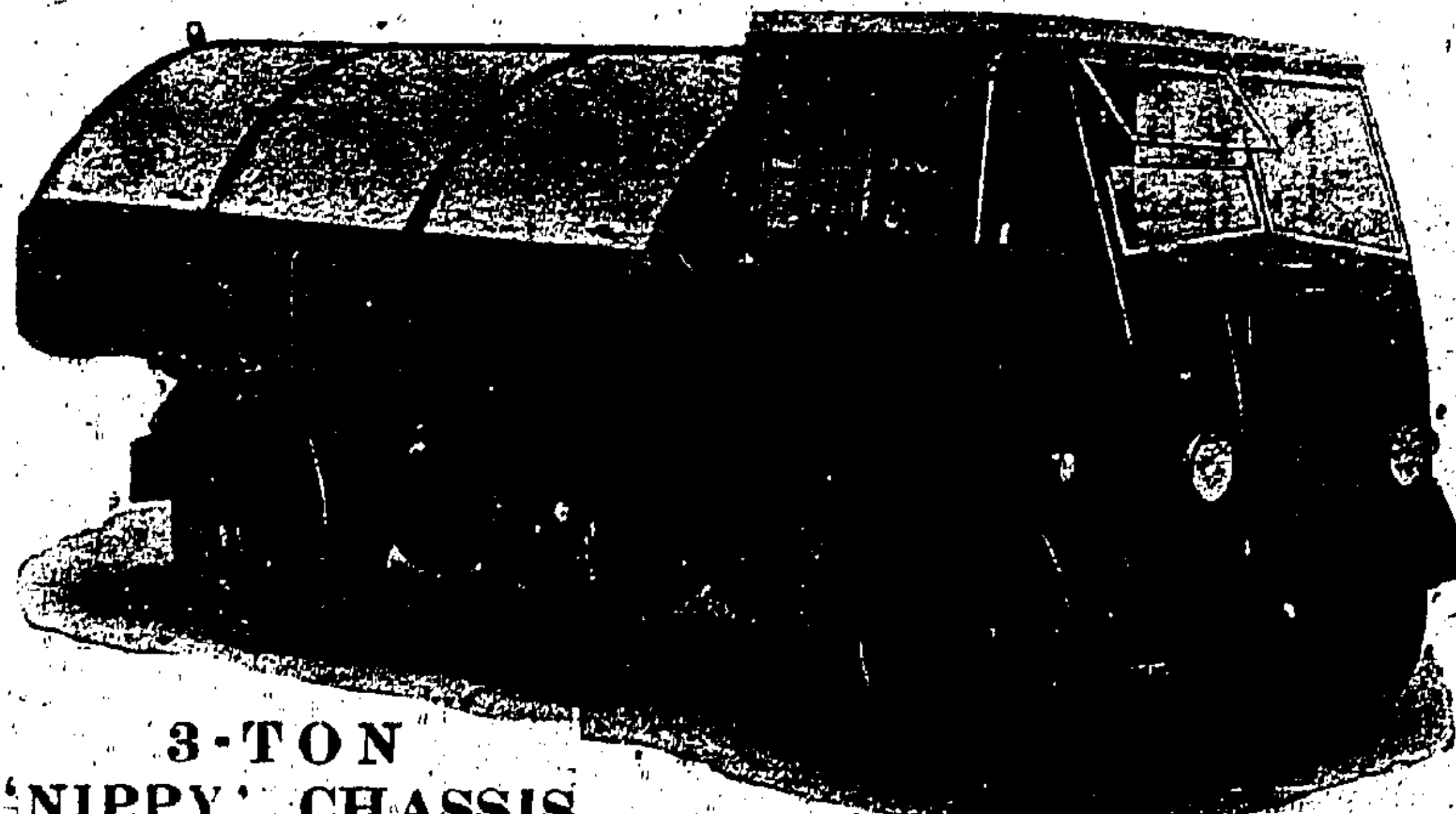
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Impression Gained During Stay In London

THEY ARE CALM, BUT THAT IS BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT THE HAVOC ABOUT THEM IS PART OF THE PRICE OF VICTORY; and they are ready to 'go to it' and 'go through with it' till victory is won. They are as calm as they were eighteen months previously when they went to war with open eyes rather than stand by while Poland, a country utterly foreign to most of them, was enslaved by the wanton aggressor," said His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., in a broadcast from Government House last night.

His Excellency said:—A few weeks before my ship, at long last, sailed from England His Majesty the King did me, as Governor of this Colony, the great honour of receiving me at Buckingham Palace. The King listened with deep interest to what I had to tell him of Hongkong and at the end bade me take to you a message from him of good cheer and to assure you of his warm sympathy with us and his strong confidence in us. I very gladly discharge that duty.

In this short talk I mean to try to put into words some of the impressions which I gained during my six months' stay in England. That stay covered a period of which we may well be proud, for it began in July while the glorious heroism of the Dunkirk withdrawal was still ringing in the ears of the world and it ended as the tale of General Wavell's amazing victories in Libya was unfolding itself.

During those six months Britain, drawing upon her boundless moral reserve, after one of the greatest shocks that her arms has ever borne, repaired her losses and renewed her strength until single-handed she could again carry the war to her enemies.

WILL TO WIN

All that I saw and heard during those six months, five of which I passed in London, resolved itself into conclusive proof of the British will and power to win this battle for human liberty; and each stopping-place on the return journey gave convincing evidence of how the energies and resources of our great Empire are being organised and concentrated to that one end.

You are, of course, well aware of the general run of affairs in Great Britain from the wireless news and the written and illustrated Press, so I will not waste time going over ground well known to you, though I will just touch on three of the principal war topics.

BOMBING RAIDS

In the first place, the bombing raids. Undeniably, up and down the country, a great number of buildings—some of them of priceless historical and aesthetic value—have been destroyed; and in the City of London and many of our greater towns whole streets have been blasted and half-ruined; but so far as the main issue is concerned—that is to say the winning of the war—the damage done is not of a vital factor.

Indeed, when one turns from the bombed places and regards the vast areas whose buildings stand almost or entirely unscathed one realises the effect of these raids in its true proportion. Nor, taking the long view, is this destruction all loss, for one day we shall replace and rebuild and rebuild better streets and more efficient buildings than those which the enemy has destroyed.

GRAVE PROBLEM

One word about food-supply. Here, indeed, lies our gravest problem and we shall not have the end of the war in sight until it has been solved. But rest assured that His Majesty's Government not only knows the right solution but also is working steadily towards it.

Bad weeks will occur in the tale of British vessels sunk by the enemy; that is inevitable; but they will only come occasionally. Meanwhile counter measures are well in hand and are on a scale that can and will defeat the submarine and raider blockade.

In the meantime there is some danger that exaggeration may lead to undue despondency in the matter. I can testify that when I left England—and I am aware of no material change since then—there was no real difficulty in obtaining as much food as satisfied the peace-time appetite, though of course one's choice was greatly limited; nor was there any sign that the Authorities expected any drastic cutting-down of the ration scale.

INVASION THREAT

As for invasion of our Islands, I can only say that I share the general view, which is that if Hitler tries it on without control of the sea and the air he will rue the attempt. The universal hope at

home is that he will make it and thereby hasten his ultimate collapse.

Let me pass on from these war-topics to that of the British people generally in this time of trial. There are many sound reasons for confidence in the ultimate success of our arms but none, at any rate to me, is more convincing than the reaction of the ordinary Briton to Hitler's bomb-frightfulness.

The scene that meets the eye, as one goes along a street in or near which bombs have dropped during the night, is apt to give one a shock. Very likely a house or two is down; the pavements and roadway are littered with glass—and glass is like blood, a little makes a lot of mess—the blown-in windows and doors and the general disarray are, in effect, rather appalling.

But if one turns from looking at the street with its damaged shops or houses to watching the people passing through it on their lawful occasions the first thing that strikes one is how little, if at all, their faces reflect the dismay or alarm which their surroundings might seem to justify.

UNTRUBLED LONDONERS

It is not that they 'register'—if I may borrow a phrase from the cinema—heroic resolve or grim vengeance; my point is, rather, that they look much as they would in peace-time, untroubled and intent on their own business. And that is not the less remarkable as one may be fairly sure that many of them have been kept awake half the night by anti-aircraft gunfire, or bomb explosions, or, perhaps, just the waxing and waning drone of hostile aeroplanes, than which few sounds are more sleep-banishing; many others, it may be, of these unperturbed passers-by will have spent a not too comfortable night in a crowded shelter or will have been on their way to work for the last three hours or so.

But it is not to be inferred from this apparent nonchalance that these folk are heedless of what is around them or that they do not realise that what has happened to others yesterday may be their lot today, or tomorrow.

PRICE OF VICTORY

They are calm, but that is because they know that the havoc about them is part of the price of victory; and they are ready to 'go to it' and 'go through with it' till that victory is won. They are as calm as they were eighteen months previously when they went to war with open eyes rather than stand by while Poland, a country utterly foreign to most of them, was enslaved by the wanton aggressor.

I have taken my illustration of the British people's war-time attitude of mind from the scenes that have been so often before my eyes recently in Piccadilly and its adjoining streets. What I have said of them might be as truly said of the hundreds of thousands of munition and dock workers whose every day and every night is spent in grave peril and sore discomfort; of the police, firemen, nurses and civil defence men and women whose staunch and fearless sense of duty are altogether beyond praise.

NATION OF HEROES

The British people today are earning for themselves the name of a Nation of Heroes; and when we think of how they have (to use the old fighting phrase) 'made a come back' from that disastrous though glorious 'round' in Belgium and Northern France, well may we apply to them Browning's description of his hero:—

"Who marched breast foremost:
Never doubted clouds would break;

MESSAGE



Mr. Kok Yu-on and his bride, formerly Miss Leung Sau-wan. —(King's Studio).

REGISTRY WEDDING

At the Registry, Supreme Court, on Saturday Miss Lau Sung-fong, teacher, of No. 252 Des Voeux Road West, was married to Mr. Yu Tze-him, civil servant, of No. 43 Bute Street, Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiated at the ceremony.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage between Mr. Frank Buckle, chief instructor in engineering, of No. 2 Garden Terrace, first floor, and Miss Marjorie Dobson, nursing sister, War Memorial Nursing Hospital, was announced at the Registry.

Never dreamed though Right were worsted Wrong would triumph.

"Still waters run deep." The Brigands of Europe are applying that proverb to the British people with growing dismay in their hearts.

That steadfastness of purpose of the man and the woman in the street at home is one of the memories etched on my mind by my stay in England. A second is thankful consciousness of the deep trust which His Majesty's Government knows that it can place in its citizens.

LIFE AND DEATH STRUGGLE

For all that we are engaged in a life and death struggle, during the first two years of which the enemy will have held most of the high cards—except at sea—there has been wonderfully little interference with our 'ancient liberties' so far as the written and spoken word is concerned. Actively subversive propaganda has rightly been suppressed—for even Britain seems to have her 'Quiltings'—for the rest a reasonable censorship meets the case.

Contract that attitude of trust in the people with what obtains in Germany and Italy. A completely subjugated Press: an all-pervasive secret police force which does not scruple to set son against father and brother against brothers; the internment camp and the blood-bath; the ceaseless concealment or distortion of the truth. Such are the safeguards by which alone Dictatorism can maintain its authority—indeed its very existence. Seeing as they do the feet of clay on which those Colossi stand, the free countries of the British Empire may well take heart, certain of victory in the end.

GEN. NORTON THANKED

I have left myself no time to speak of Hongkong affairs. That is as well, perhaps, for much has happened since I went away nearly ten months ago and I have yet much to learn. But this I have been amply able to realize, that Hongkong owes a very great debt of gratitude to General Norton. He has tackled our many problems with a clear eye, a firm courage and a sure hand. I rejoice to have the right of thanking him on your behalf for the invaluable help that he has given to us and to wish him a quick and complete recovery from his unlucky accident.

Grim and sad are the times through which we world is passing. In the sorrows which war brings Hongkong has her share: God send that we be spared its actual horrors. No act of ours will put a match to that bonfire, but if we need be forced upon us we shall not shrink the issue. And if come it must, war will find here a fortress ready at all points and able to give blow for blow.

May I end on the personal note? It is with thankful joy that I find myself wholeheartedly to have your true interests at heart at all times once again I ask for your full co-operation in whole-hearted service of our King and His Empire.

FILMO FANS AT PRIVATE CINE PARTY

PAGODA CINEMA ENTERTAINMENT

An enthusiastic gathering of Film fans responded to an invitation given by MR. CLIFFORD JOHNSON to a private Cine party at the Pagoda Cinema in Kimberley Road, Kowloon, on Friday at 7.30 p.m.

Mr. Johnson had arranged an interesting programme of sound films, while several amateur films were also shown on the screen.

A miniature stage, with coloured light effects, enhanced the beautifully arranged room in which the function took place.

A novel screen competition, which turned out a great success, added to the entertainment of those present, and collections will be donated to the B.W.O.F.

GUESTS PRESENT

The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. I. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Corra, Miss E. S. Ming, Miss Ming, Mrs. N. Elson, Capt. and Mrs. Histed, Capt. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Millar, Mr. and Mrs. Money, Mr. Love, Mr. L. King, Mr. W. Scurr, Mr. Kaufmann, Mr. C. E. Stuart, and Capt. A. Taylor.

STREET GUARDS COMMITTEE FORMED

The newly-organised Street Guards have formed a committee comprising Mr. Phillip Gockehin (Chairman), Mr. Ng Chak-wah (Vice-Chairman), Messrs. S. M. Churn, O.W. Luke, Yeung Ngak-fai, Wong Pak-kan, Ts'o Hok-yu, Lam Wai-shu and Lam Ming-fan.

It is learned that the recruiting campaign is still proceeding, as only 500 out of the goal mark set at 3,000 have been registered.

As soon as uniforms are completed, some 200 members will be assigned to duty in the streets and roads where they were recruited.

WAH YAN OLD BOYS' SUPPER DANCE

As a result of the visit by a group of experts to the Lantau Island in connexion with the Government's Village Settlements scheme last Monday and Tuesday, three sites have been demarcated in the Silver Mine Bay and Pui Wo areas and one at Shek Pik.

The group consisted of the Government's Malariologist, a Government architect, Mr. F. W. Kendall of the Medical Department, and a demarcator attached to the District Office, South.

Tenders are now being called for by the Public Works Department for the construction of Medical Administration Huts, Communal Kitchens and Communal Latrines.

Steps are also being taken early to provide water supplies, and a doctor has been appointed to safeguard the health of the settlers.

Plans for the construction of a road from Silver Mine Bay to Shek Pik are under discussion by the Transport Sub-Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, General Manager of the China Motor-Bus Company.

It is understood that many applications for agricultural plots have already been received by the Medical Authorities.

Fatal Motor Accident

A 60-year-old Chinese woman was knocked down by a lorry at the Customs Pass Road at Tai Po Tsai Village on Saturday, and died on her way to the Kowloon Hospital.

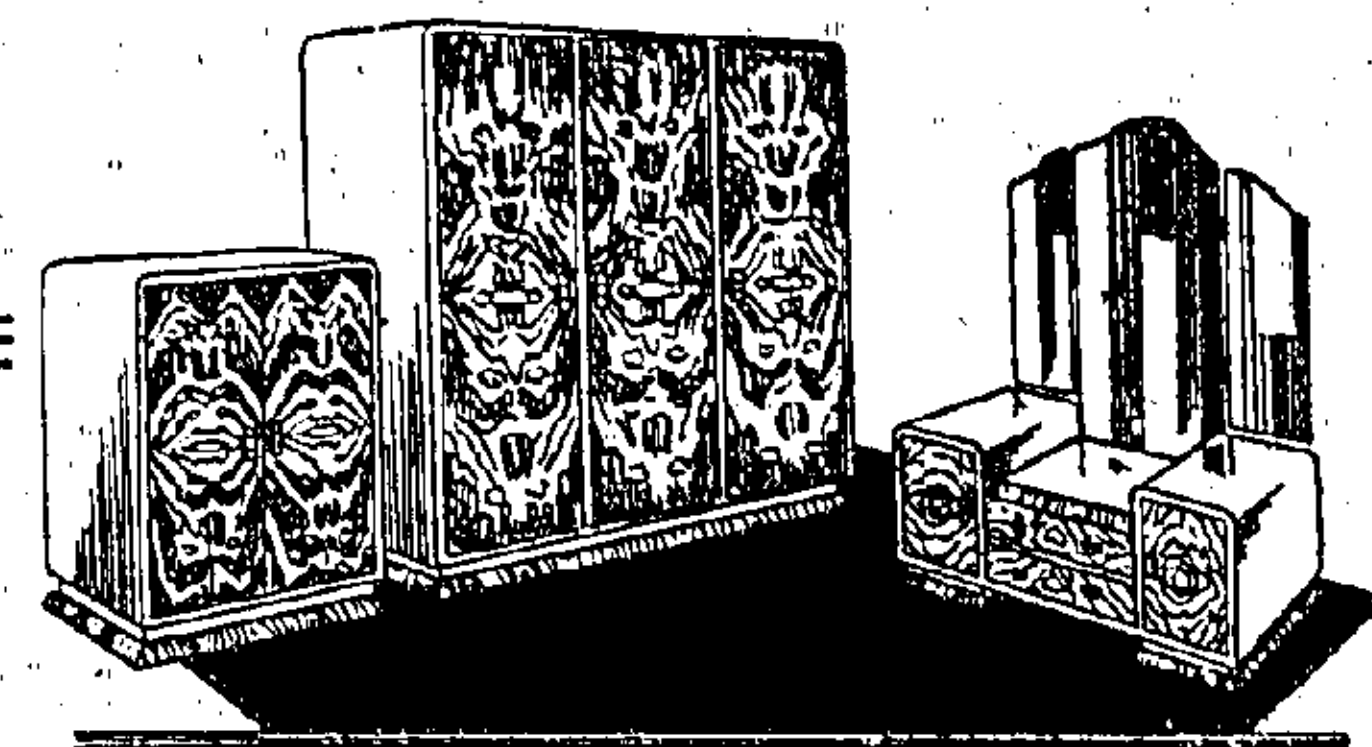
It is alleged that the deceased ran across the road in front of the lorry.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY: INQUEST TO BE HELD SHORTLY

Preparations for the inquest into the death of Mr. and Mrs. Fung Kwok-wah, which will take place shortly at the Kowloon Magistracy, are nearing completion.

Statements from the relatives of the couple have been taken by the Police.

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ALARMING OUTBREAK OF CHOLERA

The Public is urgently warned to take all precautions, besides inoculation, against cholera, the number of cases of which has increased alarmingly during the last three days.

A further 37 cases were reported on Friday, bringing the total number since the beginning of the year to 115.

Nearly every case reported has proved fatal but the Medical and Health Authorities are taking every available measure to keep the outbreak under control and to prevent it from spreading.

OFFICIAL RETURNS

The Returns of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended at midnight on Mar. 14 is as follows:—Cholera, 37 cases; Diphtheria, two cases; Measles, one case; Dysentery, six cases; Tuberculosis 18 cases.

SELF-PROTECTION CORPS REVIVAL RUMOURS DENIED

Rumours current to the effect that Government had requested the revival of the dissolved "Self-Protection Corps" had been met with official denials.

It was explained that the rumours might have arose out of a letter from Government to the ex-Commander of the Corps, Mr. O.W. Luke, asking whether members of the Corps would be willing to assist Government in the event of an emergency.

B. W. O. F.

The following is the latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the B. W. O. F. Previously acknowledged, \$648.904.88.

Anonymous, 25; The International Committee of the Red Cross at Geneva (through the Consul for Switzerland, Hongkong), 423.80; The Directors and Members of the Hongkong Rotary Club for purchase of Mobile Kitchens and for ambulances for the relief of war victims in China, 3,078.42; Hongkong Legal Debating Society, 100; Hongkong Jockey Club, \$8,802.03. Total \$736,334.13.

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The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of
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D. W. MUNTUN,
Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th March, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, R. & O. Building on Thursday, 20th March, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of
Directors.

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Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1941.

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INDIAN WAR MUSEUM

NEW DELHI, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—The Raj has decided to appoint a committee for the collection and organisation of war exhibits for the Indian War Museum.

The exhibits will form a record of India's contributions to the Empire's war effort.

The Trustees of the Imperial War Museum in the United Kingdom have agreed to exchange with the Indian War Museum exhibits of mutual interest and it is hoped that similar arrangements will be reached with the Dominions and the Allies.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April One thousand nine hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share."

By order of the Board of
Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON &
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Agents.

Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

NOTE:—

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong on or before the 30th September 1941 and that Shareholders be given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

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Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 31st March, 1941, at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 31st March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of
Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 10th March, 1941.

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HONGKONG, MARCH 17, 1941.

SPRING INVASION
THREATS

FROM TIME TO TIME blood-curdling stories are set in circulation from Axis sources of the terrible form which the Nazi invasion of Britain will take when it is launched in the coming spring. A variety of fresh horrors are being promised the British people and the most dire penalties are to be imposed on them for having dared to oppose the Teuton will! All these outpourings, which really indicate the fury and desperation to which the Nazis have been driven, are, of course, generally accepted as part of the war of nerves which the Axis gangsters have brought to a fine art. They do not perturb the ordinary man-in-the-street any longer. The long delay and the many postponements which Herr Hitler has been compelled to make in putting this much-vaunted plan into effect has made British citizen immune to fear. No frenzied outbursts which predict physical or mental acts of brutality can now shake him from his purpose to shed the last drop of his blood willingly in the defence of his country and all that it stands for in the world of today. The British people have had ample time to size up the German mind. They know that the Nazis of today are only behaving in a manner which is true to their type—brutal and remorseless to those they have been able to vanquish, treacherous to a degree that makes any trust in their words futile, but, nevertheless, cowardly at heart when they are opposed with calm determination and courage.

IT IS, therefore, necessary that the British people should get a correct conception of the repeated warnings which their leaders and military and political commentators have given them in asking them to prepare for the coming test of strength in the spring. These warnings are not issued to the public in an attempt to magnify the dangers that lie ahead, but in order to

LANTAU SCHEME
PROVE POPULAR

At a recent meeting of the Council of the Wah Yan Fast Students' Association, it has been decided to hold a Supper Dance in aid of the Wah Yan War Relief Fund and a Dance Sub-committee has also been formed consisting of Messrs. Ko Fook Sen, Lim Hoy Lan, Henry Chan, Albert Chan, Chau Sing Toa, Wong Chee Bun, Dr. Sung Sheung Hei and other Council Members.

It has been arranged by the Dance Sub-committee that the Supper and Cabaret Dance will be held under the distinguished patronage of the Hon. Mr. Li Tse Fong in Peninsula Hotel on Saturday, April 5, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. The programme of the evening is taken charge of by Mr. Wong Chee Bun, and several outstanding artists have consented to contribute cabaret items. Raffles will be issued on the occasion and the prizes have been donated by Messrs. Ko Ho Ning, Lim Hoy Lan, and Fok Cho Min.

Admission is \$3.00 and tickets are obtainable from Mr. Joseph Ng, c/o Foo Hang Bank, 122 Queen's Road, Central. The entire proceeds will go to the Wah Yan College War Relief Fund.

prevent any relaxation of vigilant preparedness for meeting the attack when it comes. Nor are these warnings meant to imply that this attack will be impossible to beat off, but rather to prevent any over-optimism which might tend to undermine caution. It is now nearly certain that Herr Hitler will try to put his plan for invasion into effect in the coming months. The prospect for him is not one that can be greatly encouraging. He has seen British resistance steadily growing stronger and stronger. He has seen his Luftwaffe being repeatedly hurled back with terrible losses when they attempted, on his orders, to wreak wanton and indiscriminate attacks on Britain. He has been forced to watch his own industrial centres and invasion ports being relentlessly blasted at a pace that has increased in recent days. And worst prospect of all, he has been unable to prevent opinion in the United States from taking solid form in supporting Britain and her allies with every possible weapon of war and essential supplies.

IN THE FACE of these tremendous developments which have increased the handicaps he will have to surmount, Herr Hitler's plans for invasion must be in a somewhat chaotic state. Various commentators have tried to piece together, as far as is possible, a coherent method which he might adopt for his attack. There have been descriptions of trains of gliders swooping down over Britain each carrying three score or so of armed men and a couple of light tanks. Others have spoken of a new form of underwater barges, which would appear suddenly on Britain's shores and pour out their contents of men and machines! Even more fantastic is the story of water-skis which will enable German troops to glide across the Channel in their thousands! Whatever means Herr Hitler decides to adopt and however novel they may be, the British have now an answer to every one of them. It is impossible that even the ingenuity of the Nazi fanatic can produce a method of striking a blow at Britain that is invulnerable. Whether the German hordes come by land, sea, air or undersea, they will be met with a resistance that has been carefully prepared, calmly organised and fully strengthened to exact a tremendous toll from the invaders and to drive them back, demoralised and defeated.

NEWSETTES

The annual general meeting of the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, will be held on Monday, March 24, commencing at 5.45 p.m., in the West Lounge.

Mr. Frederico A. Xavier has been appointed Honorary Consul for Mexico at Hongkong.

The export of optical glass, etc., has been prohibited, except by licence.

A further list of Netherlands concerns transferred to Batavia, Curacao and Surinam is published in the Government Gazette.

The newspaper Yan Sang Po and Tung Wai Magazine have been suspended. It is notified in the Government Gazette.

The Public Lighting Amendment Ordinance, No. 28 of 1940, and War Revenue (No. 2) Amendment, No. 29 of 1940, have not been disallowed.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government has approved the relinquishment by Sub-Lieut. Albert Edward Bates of his commission in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

It is notified in the Government Gazette that His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Alexander Stafford Northcote, K.C.M.G., having returned to the Colony, resumed the administration of the Government on Mar. 13, 1941.

Prof. Gordon King, L.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., F.C.O.G., has been appointed a member of the Medical Board during the absence from the Colony of Prof. Lewis Rudall Shore, M.C., M.A., M.D., B. Chir., D.P.H., M.R.C.S., M.R.C.P.

Messrs. L.A. Calcraft, J.E. Mogra, S. Harber and S. Mason have been enrolled in the Hongkong Defence Reserve while Mr. F.G. Bird has been reassigned from the Combatant Group to the General Group for Essential Services.

Tenders are invited for the making up of uniforms for use of the Railway Department; for the supply of labour, provisions, stores, etc., H.K.V.D.C.; for the supply of motor vehicle number plates; invited for photographing; for the supply and delivery of oils and greases required by the Government of Hongkong.

TALK ON
NATURE'S
MIRROR"Y" DISCUSSION
GROUP

"We as mirrors should reflect virtues, truth and the highest. We seldom can see ourselves as others see us and we are often annoyed of other people's doings, not realising that we ourselves annoy other people."

This former part of the talk on "Nature's Mirror," an educational and psychological address to the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group last evening in the West Lounge by Mr. F. H. Bowrey.

The speaker quoted passages which reflected some of the things which ordinary people cared for.

He continued that mirrors were impressive; they only reflected what they were given. Most of the people have only one pattern of reflection which was so limited that only reflected their closest.

HOW TO REFLECT

Mirrors depended on lights and once their faces were dusty or the silver at the back faded away they would not give good reflections. But we, Mr. Bowrey declared, must learn how to reflect the best lights and to keep us clean all the while.

Mr. Bowrey concluded by describing Abraham Lincoln as a super mirror, whose reflections were virtues, truth and the highest spirit.

Mr. D. Paul presided.

LORRY IN HARBOUR

A motor lorry, No. 3284, driven by Ho Po, went off the road and into the harbour while being driven along the Kennedy Town waterfront about 10.30 a.m. yesterday. The driver, in turning the lorry around, lost control of it. He managed to jump out in time,

BRITAIN SPEAKS:

A COMMON TRUSTEESHIP:
MR. R. G. MENZIES' MESSAGE
TO THE UNITED STATES

"Today we say that we are the trustees of not only those living, but of those unborn," said MR. R. G. MENZIES, THE PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA, in the course of a broadcast from London yesterday in the series "BRITAIN SPEAKS."

"Does not that refer to you in America and to us in Australia?" he asked. "It is part of your history and inheritance and ours, and it is our duty to defend that inheritance and faith—you in your workshops and designing rooms, and we in our factories and on battlefields. The task is in common and we are resolved to sustain it. The enemy has not yet realised this trend, but when he does the war will end."

READY UNDERSTANDING

Mr. Menzies began his talk by saying that he was speaking from London as an Australian to the Americans. He said he believed he could speak to them easily and naturally because Australians and Americans have already understood one another.

"A few weeks ago I came to London from Australia to see a few things, to say a few things and to arrange a few things," said Mr. Menzies. "I came as a sort of a representative of the embodiment between Australia and England, and to show that when the alarm sound the members of the British family stand together."

"Germany thought that the British Empire was breaking up—she was wrong. England today stands as solidly as ever. Her head is bloody but unbowed. Herr Hitler's airmen have dropped their bombs upon lovely and ancient things, but the British heart is still high and British factories still roar out their challenge. Differences have been swept away and gone is the man who looks for compromise."

THE HANDIWORK OF GOD

"Nobody who knows anything about American history and the American spirit can fail to understand that, like us, you in the United States attach supreme importance to the future of the human being, and Herr Hitler will never destroy the true spirit of men, which is the handiwork of God."

"It has been my privilege to bring not only messages of goodwill from the air-forces and armies of the Middle East and the ships of war, but also greetings from the whole of the Australian people of all creeds and political parties. The Australians are making the effort of their lives. Already they have thousands in the Navy, tens of thousands in the Air Force and hundreds of thousands in the Army. Our factories are producing more small arms, armoured vehicles and ammunition, and today we are spending nearly \$200 million."

A COMMON CAUSE

"Our sons and our brothers have ventured their lives in support of a cause thousands of miles away in strange countries. This is because we know that this fight is ours and because we know that fifty years hence, humanity will look back and give thanks to those who defended it in its darkest hour. It is a strange thing, this British Empire and it is not understood by the enemy or by dictators."

"Each Dominion in the Empire is independent. It is equal in all things and the real cement in its structure is service to a common faith. This Empire believes in men and women and not in the Frankenstein monsters they may have created. We stand for love and liberty. We want happiness and contentment that flow easily. "This war is not a gamble. It is not an effort to seek for empty glory, but a struggle for life. Acting independently, you have in the last few days entered into a partnership of supply."

FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

"You have, by the word of your representatives, placed at the service of the British Empire material and financial resources which otherwise would have been beyond their reach. You have given the lie to the notion that, because a country is neutral, it must remain passive, waiting for the axe to fall. You have become the greatest arsenal and as you increase, our resistance, you are building up your own."

"The material and moral mind of a neutral country can always be placed behind those who fight for justice."

"Why are you supporting us? It is not because you agree with everything we do, because I know you don't. It is because of the nature of the battle, which calls for fair play and the right of the individual man to his own self respect. We English people are today the most fortunate in history—we have two great spokesmen, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt. They are the spokesmen of indignation and today we say that we are the trustees not only of those living, but of those unborn."

ESTATE
DUTIES
INCREASE

A new Bill providing for increases in estate duties is published in the Government Gazette. This Bill, when passed, will add as a Fourth Schedule to the principal Estate Duty Ordinance, a new Schedule of Estate Duty Rates payable on the estates of persons dying on or after the 1st day of April, 1941.

The present rates, payable on the estates of persons dying on or after the 1st day of July, 1936, are given in section 4 of Ordinance No. 26 of 1936, and of those who died before that date in the First and Second Schedules to Ordinance No. 3 of 1932. Those rates will not be changed in respect of any deaths before April 1, 1941.

It will be seen by comparison between the Schedule in Clause 3 of this Bill and the Schedule in section 4 of Ordinance No. 26 of 1936, that where the principal value of the Estate does not exceed \$300,000 there is to be no increase of duty, but then the duty rises by stages of one per cent. until a duty of 27 per cent. is payable on estates not exceeding \$4,000,000; it thereafter by three per cent. stages until a duty of 31 per cent. is payable on estates not exceeding \$5,000,000; and thereafter by three per cent. stages until 52 per cent. will be the rate for estates exceeding \$30,000,000. The present maximum is 20 per cent. on estates exceeding \$20,000,000. The reason for the increases is the necessity of finding revenue to meet increasing expenditure.

CHINESE PRESS
ASSOCIATION

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—Many prominent Chinese Government officials and well-known journalists attended the inaugural meeting of the newly formed Chinese National Press Association held at 9 a.m. in the new premises of the Central Broadcasting Station.

Congratulatory telegrams were received from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other high Chinese officials as well as sympathisers throughout Free China, Shanghai and Hongkong.

COUNTESS CIANO

ROME, Mar. 16 (Reuter).—Countess Adda Ciano, daughter of Signor Mussolini, was on board a ship which was torpedoed by the British off the Albanian coast, according to the official Italian News Agency.

The Agency alleges the vessel was a hospital ship and that the daughter was acting as a volunteer nurse aboard.

The ship sank rapidly and there were some deaths, says the Agency, which, however, gives no details regarding the rescue.

STAB WOUNDS

A Chinese, named Li Chu, 34 years of age, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering from stab wounds in his right arm, shoulder and back. In a report to the Police, he alleged that these were sustained when he was attacked by another man.

50 THOUSAND ITALIANS PUT OUT OF ACTION

New Offensive Repulsed By Greeks At All Points

The Italian offensive launched six days ago has cost them 50,000 men put out of action, writes a British war correspondent, quoted in a London message.

It is added that 120,000 men took part in the general offensive, ordered by Signor Mussolini, and it was repulsed everywhere by the Greeks.—(Special)

General Ugo Cavallero, the Italian Commander-in-Chief in Albania, who has been reported to be in disgrace or to have resigned, has not signed the Italian High Command orders for the past 10 days, says Reuter.

Though there is no positive confirmation in Athens of the eclipse of Gen. Cavallero, the fact that orders have been signed by Gen. Gelsos, Commander of the 11th Army, appears to support the reports to that effect.

350 PRISONERS

The Greeks are reported to have taken 350 prisoners in the three-day offensive launched by the Italians on the northern battlefield of Albania, writes Reuter's Special correspondent on the Albanian frontier.

The offensive waged in the Pogradetz, Mokra and Skumbi River sectors collapsed on Friday night and heavy losses were sustained by the Italians.

The Greeks have everywhere held their positions in the north and it is stated that their morale remains very high.

Following the intensive fighting of the past three days, desultory machine-gun fire was the only activity yesterday.

HOPES SHATTERED

Signor Mussolini who was expected to return to Rome on Saturday, had had his hopes of appearing before his own people as a conquering hero rudely shattered, writes Reuter's Special correspondent in Greece.

The "decisive" spring offensive which the Fascist dictator promised dependent party leaders on Feb. 23, is falling dismally. Italy's great effort, it is now apparent, was forestalled by a Greek push last week-end, when Gen. Papagos' army stormed and captured vitally important heights about

Tepehlin on the central sector of the front.

Thus Signor Mussolini leaves behind him a beaten army, which is estimated to have lost at least 15,000 men in dead, wounded and prisoners.

WELL ORGANISED

The Italian attacks were well organised and carried out with a ferocity and determination which bore every evidence of a last bid for victory.

Mussolini himself is driving about the front in a powerful armoured car vainly sanctioned the suicidal shock tactics of the ordered men who retreated and offered rewards for every Greek taken prisoner. A 15-mile line of rugged heights and deep ravines over which battles have raged day and night, may well prove to be the graveyard of fascism.

Against established Greek positions supported by artillery, Signor Mussolini hurled four divisions from Italy without thought of cost. He picked highly trained Alpine, fast trotting Bersaglieri, pride of the army and the fanatical blackshirt battalions fell back broken and demoralised.

INEFFECTIVELY SPENT

The Italian artillery preparation was phenomenal in the amount of ammunition ineffectively spent. When the Italians advanced, they seemed literally moved away before the Greek defence—only to be succeeded by fresh waves of troops.

The precision of the Greek artillery fire and machine-gunning was admirable.

It is now reported that M. Starace, former Secretary of the Fascist Party, accompanied Mussolini and Marshal Badoglio, former Italian Chief of Staff, to the front.

CHINESE RECOVER KWONGHOI

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16 (Central)—After days of fighting, the Japanese were forced to withdraw from Kwonghoi on the Tolshan coast in southwest Kwangtung yesterday morning.

Chinese troops who smashed into the coastal town, killed more than 300 of the enemy. The remnant Japanese boarded their warships off the coast.

Kwonghoi was claimed to have been completely recovered at 5 a.m.

RECAPTURE LINGCHWAN

LOYANG, Mar. 16 (Central)—A Chinese general counter-offensive in southeast Shansi on March 12 resulted in the recapture of Lingchwan which recently fell into Japanese hands.

Heavy losses are understood to have been inflicted upon the Japanese who retreated to Changchih and Hukwan, being chased by the Chinese. Large quantities of military supplies were captured by the Chinese.

German Rule In Denmark Intolerable

Many people in Denmark are finding the Nazi rule intolerable, says a London message, quoting frank disclosures by the Bremen Radio which states that several small anti German cliques are working behind the scenes.

The following extracts from a letter were quoted: "We, the people of this country, hate Hitler. I have only one desire and that is that England wins the war. We want to live our lives without interference from any quarter. Long live England; long live the British victory."

The Bremen Radio warned that it was a rather dangerous method of education to teach anti-German propaganda in high schools and the Danish Press has also been warned against anti-Nazi propaganda.—(Special)

GERMANY IS RAIDED FOR FOURTH SUCCESSIVE DAY

Dusseldorf And Lorient Main Targets Of Attack

For the fourth day in succession the Royal Air Force raided Germany and German-occupied territory, states a London message. The industrial centre of Dusseldorf and the U-boat base at Lorient were the main targets but widespread fire restricted operations.

Two forces of British bombers carried out the attacks and one plane failed to return.—(Special) Larger and heavier attacks on Germany and German occupied territory took place during the week-end, and on Mar. 14, Berlin railway yards, junctions, barracks and other targets were subjected to an extremely heavy attack lasting several hours, states Reuter.

Huge fires were reported and the glow in the sky was seen for 100 miles on the return journey. One pilot machine-gunned objectives from just above the roof-tops.

SPECTACULAR RESULTS

A concentrated attack over several hours on the industrial area of Bremen—an important plant for the manufacture of war material—produced spectacular results. There were terrific fires and explosions.

Hamburg naval yards and the industrial district were raided on the same night as Berlin and Hamburg, these three jointly making up the heaviest blow yet struck at Germany.

The raid on Hamburg lasted for nearly seven hours, the fires seen 70 and 80 miles away. Following the night of the greatest raid yet made on Hamburg, there were great fires everywhere and some rose to 5,000 feet. One fire was watched for 100 miles.

SUPPLY SHIPS SUNK

Kiel, Bremerhaven, Cologne and Rotterdam twice, and Boulogne twice too, were attacked. Several attacks on shipping off the Norwegian and Dutch coasts were made, two supply ships sunk and a German destroyer in the Skagerrak torpedoed. Direct hits were made on other supply ships.

Calais aerodrome, with aircraft dispersed on the ground, was also bombed and many offensive day sweeps were carried out by fighters over the Channel and Northern France.

In all these operations, 16 British aircraft are missing and the Germans suffered losses themselves, of which four are confirmed.

Propaganda Against A.I.F. In Malaya

CANBERRA, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—Mr. A. W. Fadden, acting Prime Minister, announced yesterday that the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Stewart Foll, is investigating reports of propaganda against the Australian Imperial Forces in Malaya which, it is officially revealed, came from the Japanese Broadcasting Corporation through Tokyo.

SWEDEN LOOKS TO HER DEFENCES

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—Sweden, expecting an intensification of the European war in the spring and summer, is reinforcing certain defence measures in order to have effective protection of her neutrality.

dictators in Europe and Asia doubt our unanimity now." The United States Army today is almost a million-and-a-half strong and never composed of better men.

"Although Prussian autocracy was bad enough, Nazism was far worse." The light of Democracy must be kept burning. It is not enough for us merely to trim the wick and polish the glass.—The time has come when we must provide fuel in ever-increasing amounts to keep the flame alight."

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—The \$7,000,000,000 appropriation asked for by President Roosevelt on Wednesday was approved by the House of Representatives Subcommittee today.

The appropriation is spent by the Budget Director into several categories, chief of which is \$2,054,000,000 for aircraft and aeronautical material.

Other categories include \$1,343,000,000 for Ordnance and Ordnance Stores, \$1,350,000,000 for Agriculture, Industrial and other commodities and articles.

GREATEST STRUGGLE OF WAR

In describing the air activity over Britain and Germany as the greatest struggle of the war in which the air forces have ever been locked in, a Sydney message declared that it is believed in some quarters that the German raids over Britain are the preliminary stage to an invasion being launched by the Nazis.

The British raids over Germany, however, the message added, must have caused great anxiety to the Nazis and must have been the biggest setback they have received in the war.

The message described how the British pilots had to fight their way through a curtain of fire flung up by the German ground batteries, how they broke through it and how for seven hours their bombs crashed in the heart of the German capital.

Never before, said the message, had so many big fires sprung up in Berlin and similar conditions prevailed in Hamburg and Bremen.—(Special)

ENEMY RAIDERS MEET WITH HEAVY A.A. FIRE

LONDON, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—German raiders over Great Britain last night were met by some of the heaviest opposition British anti-aircraft gunners have yet put up.

It is now confirmed that two enemy aircraft were brought down by anti-aircraft fire and other claims are being investigated, states the War Office yesterday afternoon.

This makes the total at least 17 enemy aircraft brought down by anti-aircraft batteries since the beginning of March.

Several planes suffered damage during last night's raid and probably failed to get back to their bases.

The scattered nature of the German attacks may be attributed to the accuracy and weight of fire from British anti-aircraft guns.

NEW RUSSIAN FIGHTER PLANE

MOSCOW, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—Fifteen experts in aviation and science are among the winners in the inventions section of the Stalin Awards announced yesterday (Saturday).

They include M. Mikoyan and M. Gurevich who have perfected a new fighter plane which is now in mass production.

Referring to the new machine in an article in the Pravda, M. Yakovlev, Soviet Vice-Commissioner for Aircraft Industry, says: "Thousands of these speedy machines, menacing in combat, have already entered the ranks of the Red Air Force."

Cheap Money

LONDON, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—In the Money Market overnight loans have been readily obtainable at cheap rates.

Sixty-five million pounds Treasury Bills were offered and allotted at the lowest average rate since the war began. The actual rate was 19s. 11.78d. per cent.

Total applications amounted to 163.8 million compared to 151.2 million last week. Consequently the market syndicate only received 24 per cent of their requirements against 42 per cent.

Wall Street opened narrowly and higher but very dull.

BOMBAY WAR WEEK

BOMBAY, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—To stimulate public interest in the war efforts to raise funds in the Bombay War Week, which has commenced and lasts until Mar. 23, a varied programme of military displays, revues and sports have been arranged.



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Japan Will Organise Herself On The Axis Pattern

Japan is about to take steps to organise herself on the Axis pattern, states a message from Sydney. A feature of the scheme is to create one political party in Japan.

In the meantime, MR. KAWAI, the new Japanese Minister to Australia, in a Press interview at Canberra said: "I see no sign of any war between Japan and Australia. Japan has no aggressive intention in any direction."

Asked by a newspaperman to clarify Mr. Matsuo's recent reference to Japan's sphere of influence in what the Foreign Minister described as "Oceania," Mr. Kawai said that very few people seem to understand what "Oceania" meant, but he declined to answer how long Japan would adhere to the Axis Pact.

He countered the question by asking the pressman how long a white Australia would last and added that, though some Japanese might appreciate it, there are others who might not.

Another message from Sydney states that shipping circles there report that a number of Japanese families in Australia who had made reservations to leave the country about a month ago, cancelled their booking after Mr. Kawai's arrival.—(Special)

SPECTACULAR DEFEAT

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"Hitler's attempts to break the English spirit of resistance by the devastation of London and other cities only served to harden that spirit into unbreakable steel."

"His vast scheme for the invasion of England by air, land and sea still appears to hold the field but he must by now realise that it would be a most desperate affair fraught with the gravest peril for himself and his regime."

FAILURE OF PARTNER

"Another matter which upset Hitler's plans was the catastrophic collapse of France and the failure of his other partner in the Axis. Hitler must try to save him or risk and might will spread and worse might befall the Axis."

"In the end Hitler might find his new plans in the Balkans no less risky than old plans on which he might yet have to fall back before his end."

Stating that Hitler is faced with a very different situation from last spring, Gen. Smuts concluded: "Mussolini is a ruined man and Hitler cannot recover the ground he has lost. Hitler himself has failed in the air attack on England where success is essential for his invasion scheme."

SOUSTELLE BACK IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—Jacques Soustelle, Gen. De Gaulle's representative in Mexico, was welcomed by French sympathisers on his return here from London.

M. Soustelle said that the sympathy and cooperation of Free French and British could not be more.

DEMOCRACIES STRENGTHENED ON ALL FRONTS

The initiative has been taken out of the hands of the Axis powers and the coming of spring, instead of finding the Democracies grovelling at the feet of Hitler and Mussolini, finds them strengthened on every front, stated a message from Sydney, in commenting on President Roosevelt's broadcast speech.

Describing the President's words as the most powerful ever delivered and as the most outspoken the American leader has ever made, the message stated that it must be regarded as the first step in the spring offensive of democracy.

One commentator said that Mr. Roosevelt's speech has a new meaning for the people of Australia. The speech was an inspiration to everyone in the Empire to devote their entire energy to the task of defeating Hitler and all his work.—(Special)

AFRICA STAR SUNK

NEW YORK, Mar. 16 (Reuter)—The 11,900-ton British motorship, the Blue Star Line Africa Star, the world's second largest refrigerator ship, was sunk recently by enemy action, according to maritime circles here.

LED RAID WITH COURAGE

Gen. Smuts, the South African Premier, has authorised the promotion of Lt. Duncan, son of Sir Patrick Duncan, Governor-General of South Africa, to be Captain, says a London message.

Lt. Duncan is reported to have led a raid in Italian Somaliland with great courage.—(Special)

CAIRO, March 16 (Reuter)—Operations by Abyssinian patriot forces, co-operating with Imperial troops, continue to develop successfully in the central, western and southern districts of the country, states yesterday's communique from the British G.H.Q., adding that there was nothing to report from Libya and Eritrea.

STRIKING DENUNCIATION OF THE DICTATORS

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taxes and longer hours, but this was necessary for their defence against ruthless brutality in history.

TOTAL VICTORY

President Roosevelt announced that the armed forces of the United States today totalled nearly a million-and-a-half. He promised that aid for the democracies will be increased until total victory is won. He promised Britain and Greece planes, ships, food, tanks, guns, ammunition and supplies of all kinds and also promised help for China, whose "millions of plain people" were resisting the "dismemberment of their nation."

President Roosevelt declared that there was a vast difference between the words "loyalty and obedience." The latter could be obtained and enforced by dictatorship but loyalty sprang from minds that were given facts. "That is true of England, Greece, China and the United States, today."

Warning that sacrifice and inconvenience lay ahead for all, President Roosevelt said: "Total victory over the dictators will be the objective of American total effort, unflinchingly sustained to place implements of war in the hands of nations resisting aggression."

"Our people must be prepared for lower profits, longer hours and their effort must not be obstructed by unnecessary strikes, war profiteering and other such things."

He hailed the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill as the decision to end all "attempts at appeasement in our land, to end any compromise with tyranny and the forces of oppression."

DEDICATED ANEW

The address was one of the most vigorous utterances the President has made. It was bristled with the determination to eliminate Nazism as a world force and dedicated the material and industrial resources of the United States anew to that purpose.

The speech was later broadcast in fourteen different languages, including the German-occupied countries throughout the world.

"The will of the American people will not be frustrated either by threats of powerful enemies abroad or small selfish groups of individuals at home," he said.

"There is not the slightest question to doubt that the American people recognise the extreme seriousness of the present situation."

ALL-OUT AID

"This is why they have demanded a Government policy of unqualified, immediate and all-out aid to Britain, Greece and China, and for all Governments in exile, whose homelands have temporarily been occupied by aggressors."

"In Mr. Winston Churchill, the British people had been blessed with a brilliant and great leader," President Roosevelt declared, "but the essence of their morale—the one essential fact—is completely clear in the minds of the plain British people, and that is that they would rather die as free men than live as slaves."

Speaking slowly and with great emphasis, the President said: "The British people and their Grecian allies need ships. From America they will get these ships. They need planes from America and they will get planes, tanks, guns, ammunition and supplies of all kinds, from America. China will likewise receive supplies."

"Our country is going to be what our people have proclaimed what it must be—the arsenal of democracy. Our country is going to play its full part."

"When the dictatorships disintegrate, and pray God that it will be sooner than any of us now dares to hope, then our country must continue to play its great part in the period of world reconstruction."

LAST WAR

Early in his address, President Roosevelt said that in the last war the German representatives in the United States told Germany that the United States was in a state of dignity but "let not the

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DEMANDING WITH MENACES

Alleged to have, with others not in custody, demanded \$3 with menaces from Ng Nam, 26, at Belchers Street on March 13, Chan Kim-hung, 32, unemployed, and Li Hung, 21, coolie, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry on Saturday.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers said that both defendants belonged to a triad society called the "Five Dragons Society."

Pleading guilty, first defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour and second defendant to two months.

DEFENCE REGULATIONS

Two persons were charged before Mr. Lowry on Saturday with breach of the Defence Regulations by having in possession at the Po Tak Wharf, Connaught Road Central, on March 14, letters for the purpose of conveying out of the Colony.

Defendants were Chan Kon-wai, 22, farmer, and Ku Yeuk-ping, 20, merchant, who had their balls of \$10 each estrated when they failed to appear.

MERCHANT CHARGED

Kwok San-chow, 27, merchant, charged with breach of the Defence Regulations, was remanded until Friday by Mr. Lowry on Saturday.

Defendant was alleged to have placed on board junks No. 288V, 2106V and 2867V, lying alongside the Prays, Connaught Road West, 2,000 gunny bags for the purpose of exporting them out of the Colony without a permit from the Controller of Trade, on March 14.

Mr. M.W. Lo is appearing for the defendant, who is on bail of \$100.

Revenue Officer Tocher is in charge of the case.

CARPENTER FINED \$200

Pleading guilty to stealing from the Royal Navy Yard on March 14, 42 screens, a quantity of copper bolts and a copper sheet, Ng Siu-wan, 20, carpenter, was fined \$200 or two months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon on Saturday.

Det.-Sgt. J. Bentley said that defendant had been employed there for two years, earning \$1.09 a day. The articles were found in his possession during a routine search at the gate.

"TSE FA" GAMBLERS

The following were charged with keeping common gaming houses for the purpose of "tse fa" at various addresses in Wan-chai before Mr. Sheldon on Saturday and were fined \$100 each:

Kwok Tsiu-man, 29, unemployed, No. 31, Queen's Road East, first floor.

Li Yau, 49, hawker, and Li Man, 23, unemployed, No. 6, Burrow Street, ground floor.

Lau Chok, 30, unemployed, and Ng Kau, 32, unemployed, No. 7, Tang Lung Street, first floor.

Det.-Sgt. Willison prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

SOLDIER CHARGED

A corporal of the R.A.O.C. and four others, including a woman, were charged before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson on Saturday with conspiracy to steal 215 blankets, property of the Government.

Accused were Lo Yau, 32, Lai Hop, 28, tent mender, Wong Keung, 23, hair dresser, Chan Chun, 27, widow, and Corporal Leonard Munsey, 29, of R.A.O.C.

The soldier was additionally charged with larceny of three blankets, two sheets, a mosquito curtain and an electric bulb from R.A.O.C. depot, Kowloon, and alternatively charged with fourth defendant with receiving stolen property.

Chan Yu, 44, gardener, was charged with aiding and abetting. Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman asked for a remand of three days which was granted.

Mr. M. A. da Silva will represent first accused.

JACKET STOLEN

Four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Anderson on Saturday on Wu Fuk, 32, for snatching a woollen jacket and two skeins of wool from an 18-year-old woman.

Sgt. A. L. Gordon, prosecuting, said that complainant was walking along Canton Road about 3.40 p.m. on Thursday when defendant came up from behind and snatched the things.

Defendant was chased and arrested by a 17-year-old carpenter, Lau Shun.

"TSE FA" RAID

For keeping a "tse fa" gaming

A DEFENCE OF THE
KING OF BELGIUM

BY JOHN CUDAHY

Below is the first instalment of an extract from Life of Nov. 25, 1940, written by MR. JOHN CUDAHY, former United States Ambassador to Belgium, in which he clears King Leopold of the Belgians, of the charge of "treason."

(We are indebted to the Belgian Ambassador to China for the article.)

Last January, when the war was four months old, I first met King Leopold III in one of the florid baroque salons of the royal palace in Brussels.

It was a queer ceremony, that presentation. There was no Letter of Credence, no written address, nor any substitute trappings or stage business upon which to project a proper induction to office.

Ushered into the imposing high-ceilinged reception room, I approached the King. He extended his hand cordially with a smile of genuine friendliness, and that was my official introduction as U. S. Ambassador to Leopold, King of the Belgians.

He was dressed in field army uniform and looked the soldier—a tall, handsome figure with well-set shoulders and the ruddy clear skin of the athlete.

Later, sitting opposite him in another room of the palace, I was struck by his extreme simplicity, a simplicity approaching shyness, accentuated by an air of deep melancholy. He had a profusion of blonde hair over a broad, high brow, and fine regular features which, as I have said, were shadowed by sadness.

IRREPARABLE FRAGMENTS

It was under Leopold III's leadership that Belgium adopted a Doctrine of Independence after the invasion of the Rhineland in the spring of 1936, which smashed the Treaty of Locarno in irreparable fragments. When Locarno fell, all students of international affairs realised the inevitability of war. The marching of the armies was certain—it was only a question of time.

Under this Policy of Independence, King Leopold openly declared that henceforth Belgium would determine its own measures of defense regardless of any steps taken by its former Allies.

On April 24, 1937, Great Britain and France, in separate declarations, jointly timed, relieved and acquitted Belgium of all its promises under the Treaty of Locarno, yet entered into a solemn undertaking to come to the immediate aid of Belgium in case of invasion. Six months later, Germany, in a like statement over the signature of Baron von Neurath, Minister for Foreign Affairs, recognised the duty to observe the inviolability of Belgian soil and to protect Belgium from all aggression.

NO CAUSE FOR WORRY

If deliberate pledges, solemnly

house at No. 25, Keung Chung Street, Cham Mui, 44, was fined \$100 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on Saturday.

Chan Tak, 24, charged with keeping a "tse tam" gaming house at No. 538, Canton Road, was fined \$75.

Table money, \$9.11, picked up in both raids was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box.

Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin was in charge of both cases.

OLD OFFENDER

An old offender, Wong Kam, 25, appeared before Mr. Macnamara on Saturday on a charge of stealing four pieces of clothing and a chopper at a hut in Portland Street.

Insp. H. W. Nolloth said that defendant was seen carrying the property at Portland Street about 2.45 p.m. on Friday. Accused was given two months' hard labour.

JUVENILES IN COURT

Appearing before Mr. Macnamara on Saturday as defendant in a case and complainant in another, a 15-year-old girl was charged with another 18-year-old girl with stealing money and jewellery to the total value of \$1,380.

It was alleged that these two juveniles stole from No. 434, Shanghai Street, \$1,230 Hongkong currency, a pair of gold bangles, four pairs of rattan bangles, a pair of gold earring, three gold rings, a child's rattan bangles and a gold button.

The 15-year-old juvenile was also the complainant in a case in which a 62-year-old widow, Wong Luk, was charged with demanding \$300 from her with menaces and with stealing the jewellery which were alleged to have been stolen by the girl.

Another 15-year-old girl was charged with accessory after the act.

The first case was adjourned until this morning, while the second case was adjourned to tomorrow.

MORE HOSTILE

The criticism of the French was even more acridly hostile. Belgium could please no one, but was kicked about by all sides, the King himself vilified and condemned with harsh unfair words. But what difference did all that make, he asked in his sad, soft-spoken way, if he could preserve the peace for his people. Every day the struggle was kept off Belgian soil was a day gained for the cause of peace and in the future there was always hope. Something might happen to avert the blow some way, and if one lost hope, he sighed, one lost everything.

"There is no danger but the immediate danger."

I came away from this first interview with this saying, "I had heard so often in Poland, echoing in my brain with the monotonous beat of a tom-tom: 'There is no danger but the immediate danger.'"

So April came around. A succession of soft, balmy days of fleecy Italian-blue skies and star-studded soft nights and then, as suddenly as a flash of lightning from those same innocent skies, came word from the Dutch that invasion of their country was threatened within a matter of hours. If the Germans crossed Dutch territory in force, it was a decisive blow at Belgium, for the two Low Countries formed a strategic integer, and the Belgian General Staff made no secret of the fact that Belgian troops would march if Holland were invaded south or west of the Zuider Zee.

BIG ATTACK

I saw the King twelve hours before the "big attack" came. Two emissaries were alleged to have started from Berlin with an ultimatum to the Dutch Government from Hitler. We reported the story, and it developed that while the emissaries had made preparations to leave Berlin, there was no record of their arrival at The Hague.

Ambassador Kennedy called me from London to ask about it. I went out to the summer palace at Laeken on the outskirts of the city, to see the King. We looked out from his study upon the long greenward ranging to a pool where white swans swam in the shade of great ancient beech trees, and far beyond to the wilderness of henna-tiled roofs, which was the capital city.

He told me that no real evidence had passed under his notice of any reason for alarm because of the alleged Dutch ultimatum. It was a strange war, he admitted, with no precedent to guide one, the procedure and the trend of events was different from the experience of the past.

As I rose to go, he said he hoped to make up many hours of lost sleep. He looked very tired, but more cheerful, I thought, than at any former meeting.

TO BE CONTINUED

Mr. Forrest
Improving

Mr. R.A.D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, who fell ill several days ago, is said to be improving and is expected to be out of Hospital within a week.

No date has yet been fixed for the resumption of the Inquiry which had to be postponed owing to Mr. Forrest's illness, according to Mr. K.M.A. Barnett, Secretary to the Immigration Office Inquiry Commission.

CHINESE OFFICERS
DETAINED BY
TAIPO POLICE

An officer of the Immigration Department and an A.R.P. warden at Taiipo have been detained by the Police in the New Territories in connexion with allegations of demanding money with menaces.

It was alleged that the officer of the Department, Lau Yum, and the A.R.P. warden, Wong Choi, had demanded \$4 from a boardinghouse-keeper in Taiipo on Friday.

EMPTY BOTTLES

A new order under the Importation and Exportation Ordinance is promulgated in the Government Gazette prohibiting the export from the Colony of any empty bottles or empty carboys.

A bottle or carboy which has been emptied of its original commercial contents and refilled or partly refilled with material or liquid of no commercial value, will be considered empty for the purpose of this regulation.

The regulation became effective on March 14.

IMPERIAL IRISH
ASSOCIATION

An Imperial Irish Association has been formed in London with the object of uniting Irish men and women who are loyal to the Crown, states a London message. Already many have joined.

(Special)

GOVERNOR DEEPLY
IMPRESSED WITH
WAR EFFORT

That the war effort as he had observed it in British North and South Africa, at Home, Singapore and elsewhere, had deeply impressed him and that he was of the opinion that Hongkong had cause for satisfaction in what was being done here, was the opinion expressed by HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR GEOFFREY NORTHCOTE, K.C.M.G., when he received the local Press at Government House on Saturday.

He had travelled out to the Colony by way of South and North Africa and this had required two sea trips, a train-trip of two days and some travel by air, Sir Geoffrey said. Throughout British Africa, he had seen everywhere manifest signs of energy and war work of every kind. In Sierra Leone alone there were over a 100 ships in port.

In Capetown, the populace were proud of what their forces were doing in North Africa, and they had there daily an impressive ceremony, two minutes' silence being observed at noon every day of the week. The mayor of Capetown led this daily observance, coming out on his verandah.

MUCH ACTIVITY

In Mombasa, throughout the Sudan and Egypt, he had also seen everywhere signs of much activity in connexion with the war effort. In Singapore he had been impressed with the preparedness for defence evident there, and the defences of the port constituted a strong fortress with everywhere abundant signs of strength. While he was there, said His Excellency, they were carrying out a practice termed there a "brown-out" which was similar to the blackouts experienced here. Many ships were coming in and out of the port.

He left England on January 11, Sir Geoffrey said. The people there were in great heart on a road that, if a long one, would, they were convinced, lead to victory.

In London he had seen the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, on several occasions, Sir Geoffrey said, and he had seen the Chinese Envoy just before he had left England.

QUITE READY

Hongkong today is fulfilling its part in the Empire defence scheme, Sir Geoffrey said, and if war was forced upon Hongkong, he could say that the Colony was quite ready to resist, would resist, and can resist. The defences other than the A.R.P. scheme, were now all completed.

Lady Northcote, Sir Geoffrey said, was in good health, and it was rather unfortunate that she could not return here to resume her work.

In reply to questions, Sir Geoffrey said that he could not affirm the rumour that a Chinese Consul-General may be appointed to the Colony. Every effort would be made, Sir Geoffrey said, to relieve the situation here with regard to the shortage of foodstuffs.

PROTESTS AGAINST
INCREASE IN
ELECTRICITY RATES

An appeal against the increase in electricity rates by Hongkong Electric Company and the China Light and Power Company has been sent to the Authorities by the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

The petition suggested that the proposed increase be temporarily shelved owing to the present high cost of living, or be cancelled altogether.

A similar letter has also been sent by the Hongkong and Kowloon Tenants' Association.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MARCH 15, 1941.

On London—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai—	
On demand 435	
On Singapore—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan—	
On demand 102 1/2	
On India—	
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2	
and demand 82 1/2	
On New York—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia—	
On demand 45 1/4	
On Paris—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon—	
On demand 104 1/2	
On Manila—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes—	
Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 93 1/2	

Market Report

FROM ROZÁ-BROS.

March 15.

The price for Ready Silver rose 1/16 to 23.1/2 but the Forward rate was unchanged at 23.7/16. Silver advances reported the market as being steady with no business. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403.1/2.

MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3.1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

A small business was done at 24.9/16 for near and forward. The market closed with sellers at 24.1/2 up to May, buyers at 24.9/16 for any delivery up to May.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 445.1/2 with business done at 448 and 448.1/2. Later business was done at 450 and also 450.1/2. The market closed with sellers at 451.1/2, buyers probably at 452.1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3.11/32 and closed easier with sellers at 3.5/16 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5.15/32 and closed with sellers at 5.13/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar 15 (Reuter).

Sterling	
Sellers	
Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-11/32 0/3-5/16
Mar.	0/3-11/32 0/3-5/16
Apr.	0/3-21/64 0/3-19/64
U.S. Dollars	
Spot	5-15/32 5-13/32
Mar.	5-15/32 5-13/32
Apr.	5-7/16 5-13/32
Market—Uncertain.	

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.
The Equalization rate was 24 1/2 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange.

Calcutta Mar. 15 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Mar. 15 (Reuter).
Market—Steady. Offtake 100 bars.
Indian Mint Silver
Ready 63-03
Mar. 24 Settlement 63-04
April 22 Settlement 63-05

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 14 (Reuter).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, 2269-1/2.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, 2267-5/8.
Market steady, with sellers reserved. American buyers bought moderately overnight. After hours, the market was more active with sales of 115 tons. Three months were sold at 2267-3/4.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Mar. 15, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.90	10.81	10.83	.02 off
New York Rubber, May	22.48	22.48	22.41	.07 up
Chicago Wheat, May	87 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	1/2 up
Chicago Corn, May	63	62 1/2	62 1/2	1/2 up
New York Hides, June	13.99	13.70	13.68	.31 up

Total sales Friday—203,900 bales.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	10.83/85	10.88/88	10.81/83	.02 off
July	10.84/84	10.87/87	10.82/83	.02 off
October	10.74/78	10.80/79	10.77/77	.03 up
December	10.72/72	10.75/75	10.75/75	.03 up
January	10.71 N	10.73/73	10.74/74	.03 up
Spot	10.10		11.14	.34 up

Total sales for the day—40 tons.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	86 1/8	86 1/8	87 7/8	1/2 up
July	82 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/4	1/2 up
September	82 1/8		84 1/8	1 1/2 up

Friday's sales—5,583,000 bushels.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	62 1/2	62 1/2	63 63	1/2 up
July	62 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2	1/2 up
September	62 1/2		63 1/2	1/2 up

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
June	13.68/71a	13.70/70	13.97/99	.31 up
September	13.75/75	13.74/74	14.00/00	.25 up

Total sales for the day—130 contracts.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	7.07 N	7.10b/12a	7.18 N	.11 up

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	2.35b/36a		2.35b/36a	unch.
July	2.35b/49a		2.38b/39a	.01 off

Volume of business done—206 lots.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	79b/79a	79b/81a	79b/80a	.00 1/2 up
July	83b/83a	84/84	84b/84a	.01 up

Volume of business done—209 lots.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
July	11.65b/87a	11.62b/70a	11.65b/69a	unch.
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4		unquoted	
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2		4.03-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE (REUTER'S SERVICE)

London March 14.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red. after 1952)	104 1/2
Defence Loan, 3%	101-9/16
Jantion-K'loon Rly. 5% Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	42
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/41	40-44
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)	31
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	8-10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	47
Honan Rly. 5%	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	12
Lung Ting & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	12
S'hai-N'K'ing Rly. 5%	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	22-25 1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	5 1/2
Chartered Bank	8 1/2
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	77
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17 1/2
Chosen Corporation	4 1/2
Mercantile Bank of India, 25, "G"	11 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	1 1/8
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	12 1/8
Union Insurance	24
Gula Kalumpung Rubber Lon., Mid. & Scot., Rly.	15 1/8
Great Western Rly.	32 1/2
National Bank of India	31 1/2
S.A. Tob (bearer)	88 3/8
Dunlop Rubber	31 1/8
Bristol Aeroplane	10 1/4

INDIAN FARMERS

The extent to which Canada's Indians are engaged in agriculture is indicated in a recent report on crops and live stock on Indian Reserves in 1940.

The area under cultivation totalled 216,495 acres, and the crops sown included wheat, oats, barley, rye, peas, beans, buckwheat, mixed grains, corn for husking, potatoes, turnips, hay and clover and alfalfa.

The acreage under pasture was 36,145, and in fallow, 36,049. Holdings of farm live stock on the reserves were: horses 26,577, milk cows 8,874, other cattle 35,588, sheep 2,250, hogs 4,292, hens and chickens 86,825, turkeys 5,929, geese 2,950, and ducks 3,579.

The transformation of the Indians from hunters to farmers has been carried out under the guidance of the Indian Affairs Branch of the Department of Mines and Resources.

For years the Indians subsisted in moderate comfort upon the harvest that nature provided, mainly without human aid, but with the advance of settlement and the depletion of game resources that followed in its wake, the Indians in settled areas were faced with the necessity of adopting white men's pursuits in order to support themselves.

Their success in the field of agriculture has been due largely to education and the response of the Indians to the efforts put forth to make them independent and self-sustaining.

The output of the Canadian brewing industry in 1939 had a selling value at the factory of \$60,153,665 compared with \$57,875,450 in the preceding year. Sales tax and other taxes and duties paid to the Dominion and Provincial Governments totalled \$18,520,323 as against \$15,490,597 in 1939.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION (REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 16, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 15.	STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 15.
Adams Express	5 1/2		Loew's Inc.	33 1/2	
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2		Loft Incorporated	18 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	29		Mack Truck Inc.	23 1/2	
Aluminium Ltd.	74 1/2		Martin, Glen L.	23 1/2	
Amer. Can.	86 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	25 1/2	
American Cyanamid B.	33 1/2		Montgomery Ward	37 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign Power	13 1/2		Mt. Airy City Copper Co.	3 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 p.	16 1/2		National Aviation	9 1/2	
Amer. Locomotive	13 1/2		Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2	
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2		National Lead	16 1/2	
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2		Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2		National Supply Corp.	5 1/2	
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	40 1/2		New York Central	12 1/2	
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2		Niagara Hudson Power	15 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	16 1/2		N. American Aviation	15 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	68 1/2		North American Co.	15 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks	5 1/2		Northern Pacific	6 1/2	
Anacosta Copper	24 1/2		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	44	
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	24		Pacific Gas & Elec.	27	
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2		Packard Motors	2 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive	15 1/2		Pan-American Airways	13	
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2		Paramount Pictures	11	
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2		Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2	
Jarnsall Oil	8 1/2		Phillips Petroleum	38	
Sensix Aviation	35 1/2		Public Service of N.J.	25 1/2	
Bethlehem Steel	79 1/2		Pullman Inc.	24 1/2	
Silas & Co.	16 1/2		Pure Oil	7 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.	16 1/2		Radio Corp. of Am.	41 1/2	
Borg-Warner	18 1/2		Reading Company, Com.	42 1/2	
Briggs Mfg.	23		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	44 1/2	
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	3 1/2		Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2	
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	34 1/2		Republic Steel	19 1/2	
Case, J.I.	43 1/2		Revere Corp.	9 1/2	
Celanese	28 1/2		Reynold Tobac. "B"	31 1/2	
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2		Safeway Stores	39 1/2	
Chrysler Corp.	67 1/2		Schenley Distillers	9 1/2	
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4 1/2		Sears Roebuck	73	
Commercial Credit Co.	30		Shell Union Oil	11 1/2	
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	11 1/2		Socony-Vacuum Oil	9 1/2	
Consolidated Edison	21 1/2		Southern Pacific	22 1/2	
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2		Southern Rly. 5 pfd.	33 1/2	
Continental Can	37 1/2		Spicer Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2	
Continental Oil	18 1/2		Standard Brands	6 1/2	
Copperweld Steel	14 1/2		Stand Oil & Elec.	15 1/2	
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9 1/2		Standard Oil of California	19	
Curtiss Wright "A"	27 1/2		Standard Oil of N.J.	35 1/2	
Deere & Co.	20 1/2		Stone & Webster	6 1/2	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2		Studebaker Corp.	6 1/2	
Douglas Aircraft	73 1/2		Swift International	18 1/2	
Du Pont de Nemours	146 1/2		Technicolor	9 1/2	
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32.67	22.15	20	Rails	28.01	28.10	28.02	28.09	.08 up
24.46	18.03	20	Utilities	18.65	18.80	18.65	18.74	.09 up
92.19	83.06	40	Bonds	90.83		90.85		.12 up
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(CONTINUED FROM SATURDAY)

No. 1 Company.—Mon. Mar. 17 No. parade. Tues. Mar. 18, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Weapon training. All rifles and S.B. Rs. must be returned on this date. Fri. Mar. 21, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Weapon training.

No. 2 Company.—Tues. Mar. 18 Kowloon Dock, 5.30 p.m. No. 6 Platoon. L.G. instruction. Wed. Mar. 19, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 7 Platoon. L.G. instruction. Fri. Mar. 21, Company Parade. H.K. Residents. H.Q. 7.45 a.m. Kowloon Residents, Kowloon Railway Station, 8.20 a.m. Dress—Battle order.

No. 3 Company.—Mon. Mar. 17 and Thursday, Mar. 20. Training as per Company programme.

No. 4 Company.—All rifles, bayonets and S.B. Rs. to be returned to H.Q. by Sat. Mar. 15.

No. 5 Company.—All rifles, bayonets and box respirators must be returned on Sat. Mar. 15 before 1 p.m. There will be no parades on Mon. Mar. 17 and Tues. Mar. 18.

No. 6 Company.—Fri. Mar. 21, H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Dress as before.

No. 7 Company.—Sat. Mar. 15. All rifles, bayonets and S.B. Rs. to be handed in to Stores.

Army Service Corps Company.—Sun. 16 to Sat. Mar. 22. Transport and Supplies weekly duties as detailed. Dress as usual. Tues. Mar. 18, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed L.G. instruction class. Mar. 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company parade. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps. L.G. revision (Those detailed). Arms drill revision (Those detailed). Fri. Mar. 21, No. 7 hut, 7.45 p.m. Company Dinner. Blue patrols of K.D. jacket and trousers. Web belt and S.D. cap. Sun. Mar. 23. All day exercise. Details will be published in next week's Orders.

Field Ambulance.—Wed. Mar. 19, H.Q. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dress—Jacket, trousers, belt, black boots. S.D. cap. Gravatort or cardigan optional.

Pay Section.—Fri. Mar. 21, H.Q. 2.30 p.m. Dress—Mutil.

Fortress Signal Company.—Wed. Mar. 19, Exchange Building, 2.30 p.m. Manning training as detailed.

Transfers
Pte. R. D. Gillespie, No. 2 Coy. to Unit Res. 3.3.41; Pte. R. Woodcraft, No. 1 Coy. Res. to Corps H.Q. Res. 13.3.41; Gnr. C. L. Porter, 5th A.A. Battery to Corps H.Q. Res. 13.3.41.

Strength-Increase
Pte. Fatch-Mohamed, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41; Pte. E. R. Agabeg, A.S.C. Coy. 19.1.41.

Strength-Increase
Gnr. J. C. A. Gundersen, 2nd Bty. 6.3.41; Pte. A. Porter, Corps H.Q. Res. 13.3.41.

Appointments
L/Cpl. H. J. Woolley, Mob. Coln. to be Pte. (at his own request), 13.3.41; Pte. C. Champagne, Mob. Coln. to be L/Cpl. 13.3.41.

Leave
Gnr. F. D. Angus, 2nd Bty. Res. 24.1.41-15.4.41; Gnr. H. N. Williamson, 2nd Bty. 25.2.41-24.3.41; Capt. J. H. Bottomley, Fd. Coy. Engrs. 23.2.41-3.4.41; Sigm. C. L. Salter, Corps Sigs. 1.4.41-30.4.41; Pte. D. B. Nelson, No. 1 Coy. 23.41-25.3.41; Sge. W. C. Schnabel, No. 1 Coy. 11.3.41-10.4.41; Pte. Chung Kam-hing, No. 7 Coy. 11.3.41-10.5.41; L/Cpl. V. V. MacDonnell, A.S.C. Coy. 28.2.41-27.3.41; Pte. A. L. Davis, No. 1 Coy. 2.3.41-10.4.41; Sgt. W. Hyde, A.S.C. Coy. 5.3.41-15.3.41; Pte. F. A. Gill, Fd. Amb. 10.3.41-30.3.41; Pte. R. Singh, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Jatta Singh, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Talbar Khan, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Nur Dad, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Partap Singh, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Mohamed Shah, Sp. Gd. Coy. 6.3.41-5.11.41; Pte. Sirdar Ali, Sp. Gd. Coy. 25.11.40-23.41.

(Sgd.) E. N. THURSBY, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNIT
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Mon. Mar. 17.—Advanced Lecture. Military Hospital, 5.30 p.m. Office

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Lights Extinguished On N.E.I. Coast

A Notice to Mariners states that the following additional lights on the coasts and ports of the Netherlands East Indies are extinguished until further notice:—

Edam Island.
Batavia. The white occulting light.

Tanjong Priok. The west and east Mole lights.

Bali Strait.
Dulven Island, Tanjong Banser, (The leading lights), Tanjong Pasir and Banjoewangi (Both lights).

Blambangan, Tjilatjap, Tjilatjap Inlet, Tanjong Pembembang, Balikpapan, (Pilot Light-vessel), Tanjong Noesaniwe, Tarakan (Pilot light-vessels), Tarakan (U) (The leading light), Tarakan (U) (The light on the south point of reef near Tanjong Mengatoo).

The following further lights have also been extinguished:—
The Examination Vessel at Tanjong Priok; the Light Buoys at Tarakan; and the Examination Lights, Light Buoys and Anchor Lights at Balikpapan.

BULAN STRAIT
The existence of a shoal in Bulan Strait, with a least depth of ten feet exists in lat. 01 degrees 01' 52" N. long. 103 degrees 54' 24" E. (Approx), according to a Notice to Mariners, issued by the Harbour Department yesterday.

The chart affected is No. 2403.

Forest products carried by Canadian railways during September 1940, amounted to 996,091 tons as compared with 859,167 tons in September, 1939, an increase of 51 per cent.

workers. Transport leaves Queen's Pier 5.20 p.m.

Thurs. Mar. 20.—Advanced Lecture. Military Hospital, 3 p.m. Non-office workers. Transport leaves Queen's Pier 2.45 p.m. via Vol. H.Q.

Fri. Mar. 21.—A.R.P. Lecture, 5.30 p.m. A.R.P. H.Q. Happy Valley. Transport leaves Queen's Pier 5.20 p.m.

Strength-Increase.—Mrs. E. WILD, 23.41.

Leave.—Miss G. Owen, 1.10.41-31.3.41; Mrs. H. Dowling, 26.12.40-25.5.41; Mrs. E. E. Paul, 2.4.41-1.4.42. The following leave is cancelled:—Mrs. C. Peers—18.1.41-15.1.42.

(Sgd.) I. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

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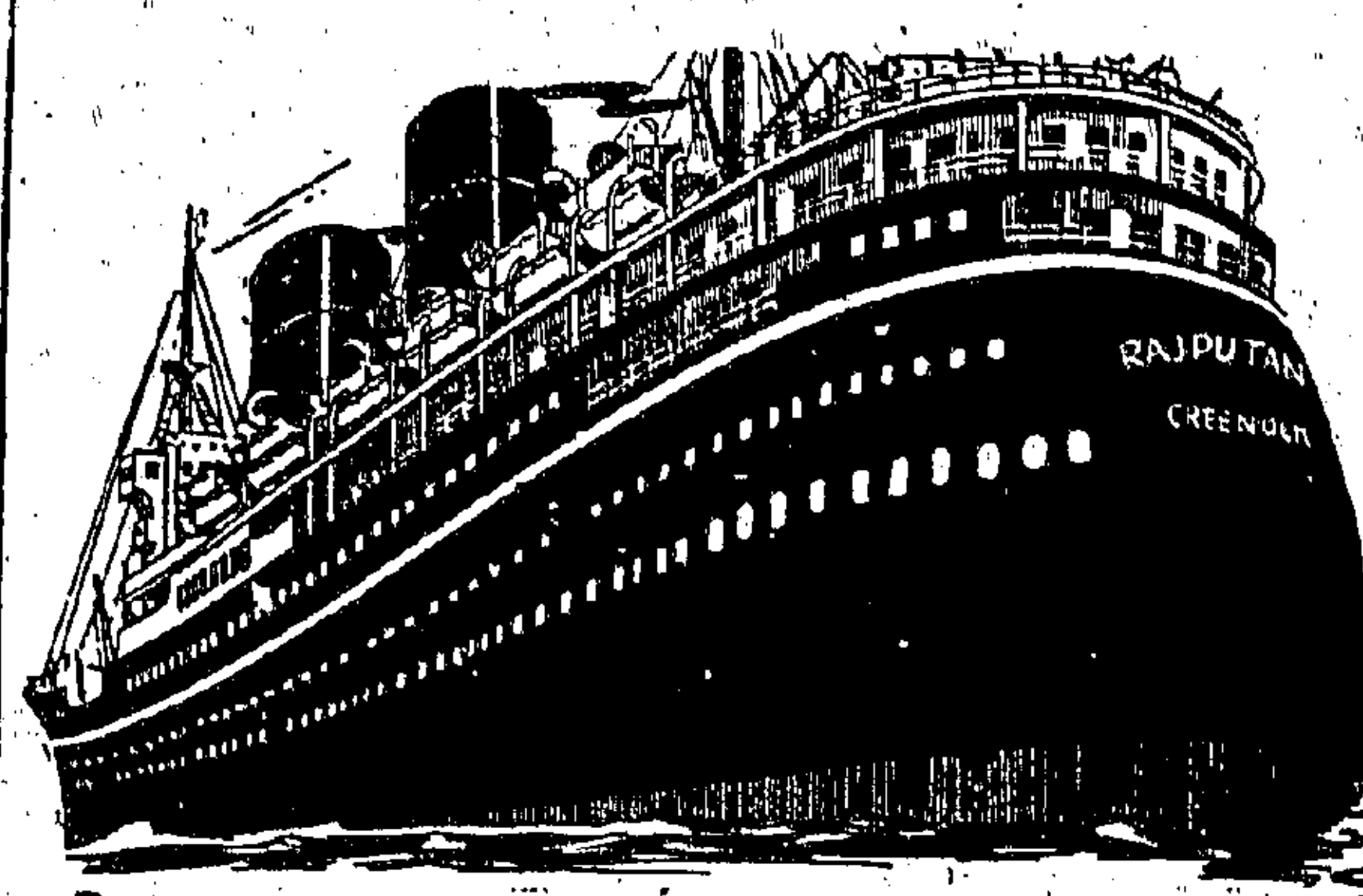
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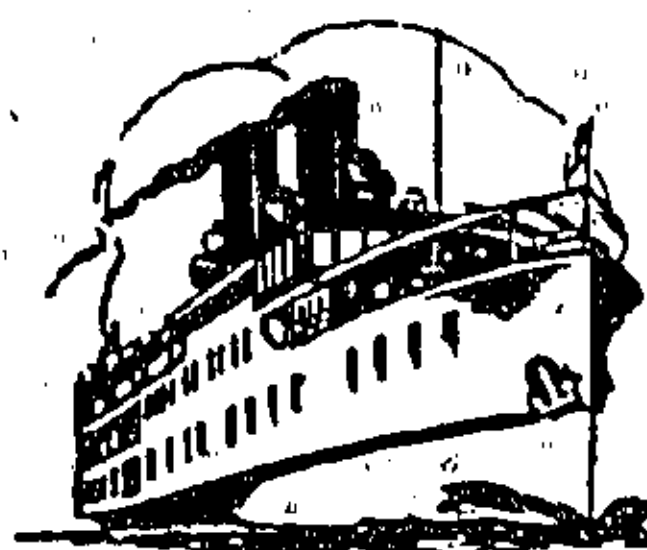
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Donna 16.13.14 15.53.34 3 39

(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)

Red Rover 16.45.07 16.02.26 4 19

(Capt. R. W. Bateman)

Norena 16.11.21 16.11.21 5 36

(Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick)

"R" CLASS DIV. II

Tyrone 16.13.58 16.32.50 1 42

(Mr. B. Herchend)

Evadne 16.01.34 16.46.05 2 33

(Capt. R. L. Berridge)

4 TONNERS

Finished Pos. Pts.

Typhoon 19.07.23 1 39

(Mr. D. Campbell)

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True Blue 16.28.01 186

(Mr. L. Garner)

Redshank 16.28.23 123

(Capt. J. Krogh Moe)

Joss 16.31.17 209

(Major G. E. Neve)

Maureen 16.31.45 150

(Mr. D. G. G. Allen)

Petrel 16.31.54 102

(Mr. G. L. Anderson)

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(Mr. W. Johnson)

Artemis 16.33.00 203

(Mr. G. G. Wood)

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(Capt. R. L. Berridge)

La Linda 16.33.12 189

(Mr. P. D. A. Chidell)

Gull 16.34.20 263

(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)

Arlis 16.35.13 15

(Mr. H. W. Browne)

Jean 16.35.15 79

(Sug. Lt. Comm. J. A. Page)

Tyrone Chal 16.39.11 92

(Mr. B. Herchend)

MIXED CLASS

Wendy 16.52.47 16.43.47 107

(Mr. L. Thomson)

Owl 16.53.52 16.44.52 103

(Mr. G. L. Eastgate)

Ailsa 16.55.38 16.55.38 88

(Lieut. Col. F. D. Field)

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—It has been officially announced in connexion with plans for meeting the threat of intensified U-boat campaigns, that Admiral Sir Percy Noble, former Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Western Approaches.

NEW DELHI, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—K. M. Munshi, Home Minister in the late Congress Government in Poona, was released from gaol yesterday on grounds of health before completion of his sentence for seditious (civil disobedience).

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—The movement of freight from Russia to Germany will be expedited considerably by nine re-loading and switching points on the frontier, states a Department of Commerce report.

Previously, there had been only five such points on the frontier between German and Russian occupied territory.

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—The Curtiss-Wright Aircraft Company announced yesterday that they are now producing a new dive-bomber, the best in the world.

ANKARA, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—The Czech Premier, M. Elias, has been refused permission to resign by the German authorities in the protectorate, it is reliably learned here.

M. Elias, a former Czech legionary, desired to resign following

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the game of one player of the Chinese Tung Wah University team, whereupon the whole Chinese team left the field with the score three to one in favour of the Police team.

The crowd immediately went wild, ripped the seats and hurled at the field officials, bricks, stones, sticks, fruit, refuse and any other missile at hand. The most infuriated attempted several times to burn the Cantidrome but these were frustrated by a mail of the police force, which was unable at first to cope with the situation running a solid wall of Chinese bodies.

STRAW BURNED
Straw round the track was burned. Riot squads and the fire brigade finally restored order. The latter cooling the tempers, with streams of water.

Chinese curses aimed at the air as the mob vented anger on all foreigners present, calling them swine, dogs, loafers, etc.

Players and officials left the field at the outset and escaped injury when the crowd surged into the field. In one instance, a squad stormed the stands to eject the rioters and a battle ensued, the latter using sticks. Several ring leaders were arrested but later released with a warning.

BATTLE CONTINUED

After the Cantidrome was cleared, the battle continued in the Concession streets, the mob hurling bricks at the police and attack buses and trolley cars.

Many Chinese suffered bruised heads.

It is believed that professional agitators may have had a hand in the rioting, which seemed organised, flaring simultaneously in several sections in the big crowd.

The rioters finally dispersed in the Concession streets an hour after their election from the field.

THREE-FOLD LIFELINE

LONDON, Mar. 16 (Reuters)—The spirit of Britain is sustained by the three-fold lifeline of leadership, unity and resources, declared Lord Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Because of this, he added, we preserve a sober confidence that the forces of evil will be overthrown. Britain has an ideal leader and there has never been in the whole course of our history so essentially united nation.

Lastly, we had every ever-increasing war production in our own country, now reinforced by the immense output of the United States dedicated, as Abraham Lincoln put it long ago, to the purpose that a democratic government should not perish from the earth.

STRENGTHENING OF U.S. NAVY

The United States Navy is to be strengthened with all possible haste, according to a message from Sydney, which stated that Col. Knox, the Secretary for the Navy, told the Appropriations Committee that the United States was confronted with the early possibility of facing Japan as an active belligerent.

By summer, the U.S. Navy will have embarked on its biggest shipbuilding programme in history, when 81 naval yards would be engaged in building battleships, destroyers, submarines and patrol ships. The biggest battleships to be constructed will be of 35,000 tons. (Special.)

SONG SERVICE

Handel's Messiah was rendered by the Hop Yat Church Choir at the Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, yesterday, under the conductorship of Mr. Fung Hin-chung.

The singing which was in the form of a song service, was sponsored by the Mandarin congregation of Christ Church.

The soprano and tenor solos were by Miss Pauline Chow and Mr. Fung Hin-chung, respectively, while Mr. Mok Kai-wing was at the piano.

The Rev. Wong Cheung-ling delivered the sermon.

the measures adopted by the Germans against the Czech legionaries but the German authorities refused to permit Dr. Hacha to accept the resignation.

Army Soccer

BRITISH TEAM WINS BY 8-2

A British Army team which included eight internationals, defeated an Allied Armies team at football on Saturday by eight goals to two.

Commenting on the match, Mr. Bob Dougall, B.B.C. commentator, said that it was the first football match he had seen for many months. When he arrived at the grounds, the Band of the Scots Guards was playing rousing music and amongst those present were Prince Bernhard of Holland, chiefs of the Allied armies and also numbers of Allied soldiers and airmen.

The players came out to roars of applause, the British Army team wearing red shirts. Capt. H.D.E. Margesson, the Secretary for War, shook hands with the members of the two teams.

ALLIED DISADVANTAGE

The British team was quite a strong one, while the Allied eleven were at a disadvantage of not knowing each other's play, in addition to which was the language difficulty.

The British team overwhelmed their opponents in combination and footwork. Allied goal-keeper, Brinkmann, of Holland, was a hero of the match and saved brilliantly time and again. On several occasions an English cockney voice could be heard shouting: "Good old goalie!"

Mr. Dougall added that arrangements had been made to have United Services cup competition in the near future. (Special)

ACADEMIA SINICA HOLDS CONFERENCE

The first annual Conference of the 2nd Advisory Council of the Academia Sinica opened in Chungking.

Present at the opening ceremony were Mr. Wu Chih-hui, member of the Kuomintang Central supervisory committee, representing the Central Kuomintang, Mr. Tai Chi-tao, Mr. Yu Yuen, Mr. Chu Cheng, and Dr. Sun Fo, Presidents of the Examination, Control, Judicial and Legislative Yuan respectively. Dr. H.H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, Dr. Chu Chia-hua, Acting President of the Academia Sinica, and 26 members of the Council.

Dr. Chu Chia-hua made a report on the work of the research organ last year and its project for the current year.

Messages from Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek were read. (Central News).

"PURPLE MIRROR"

Girl's Invention Is Glare-Proof

Miss Aiko Sakai, the 27-year-old daughter of the owner of the Sakai Gold, Silver & Silver Nitrate Refinery Co. in Osaka, is reported to have succeeded in producing a superior type of automobile mirror and has applied for a patent, calling her invention a "Purple Mirror." A factory capable of producing 500,000 mirrors a month has been constructed and will shortly commence mass production.

Following her graduation from the Sakai Girls' High School, Miss Sakai had been studying at her father's plant and about five years ago started "experimenting," using imported automobile mirrors as models.

DARK COLOUR

Instead of being plated with the usual silver background, the "Purple Mirrors" are painted in a dark colour, the glass being treated by a special process. As the mirror is purplish-blue in colour, the reflection is soft and of great advantage to drivers, especially when the beam of the headlights of a car approaching from behind are caught on it.

Other characteristics of the new mirrors are their great durability and resistance against heat. Test conducted at the Osaka Industrial Museum recently proved that the mirrors remain free from any discolouration, spotting or exfoliation even when left in boiling water for half an hour.

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